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**❖** ARCATA FIRE

# Preparing for dam failures, massive floods

**Jack Durham** MAD RIVER UNION

NORTHERN HUMBOLDT - There are several nightmarish scenarios - including the failure of a dam holding back Ruth Lake - that would result in a wall of water washing over homes and businesses in several communities, including Blue Lake and Arcata.



**McDonald** 

In preparation for such disasters, the Arcata Fire District is working with several local agencies to create what it is calling the "North Humboldt Bay Flood Response Tactical Plan."

The document would detail how the Arcata Fire District, Blue Lake Volun-

teer Fire Department, Fieldbrook Volunteer Fire Department, Arcata Police, Humboldt State University Police and other local agencies would respond in the event of a massive flood from a dam failure, tsunami or massive rainstorm like the one that caused the Flood of 1964.

The plan, being prepared by Greenway Partners of Arcata, would outline how agencies would go about evacuating neighbor-

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#### ❖ A PATIENT'S PERSPECTIVE

# Mental care needs radical reform

covered a panel discussion in Eureka with an article headlined "Jail called no place for mentally ill" (Union, Nov. 9, 2016). Below is an interview with a *longtime mental illness patient and sex*ual assault victim, Ann Marie Carlsmith, who volunteered to share what it is like to be jailed and mistreated while suffering from acute mental disorders. Carlsmith, 58, born in St. Paul, Minnesota and incarcerated innumerable times in Humboldt and other jails, is in local

Editor's note: Last fall, the Union treatment for bipolar mixed states and law enforcement and jail guards. complex post-traumatic stress disorder with dissociation. A history of chronic sexual assault began when she was age 4, continued in her nine-year marriage and persisted after her divorce in 1995.

> **Paul Mann** MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT - Arrest is not treatment.

That is Ann Marie Carlsmith's article of faith after scores of encounters with

Over many decades, she has experienced every kind of indignity, disrespect, ostracism and neglect as a victim of severe mental illness.

While incarcerated or hospitalized she felt abandoned, hidden away, helpless and powerless in the hands of the state. At times she was confined nearly naked in cells that seemed almost akin to a concentration camp, leaving her psychologically mauled, unstable, infantilized and

**PATIENT'S PERSPECTIVE ❖ A4** 







COMFY COMBAT Valentine's Day saw an outbreak of pillow fighting on the Plaza, thanks to snoremongers Rilo Taye DeAnn and Aren Rye. The consensual combat saw pillow-wielders of all ages to whomp each other with the fluffy instruments of war amid much gleeful squealing. PHOTOS BY KLH | UNION

## **Fumbled court schedules**

**Paul Mann** MAD RIVER UNION

EUREKA – The presiding judge in an assault case against a Bridgeville murder suspect ordered a continuance last week in a courtroom beset with confusion and fumbled schedules that verged on opéra bouffe.

Court regulars openly joked that they had been infected by what they termed the "very contagious" disarray in the Trump White House.

Trapped in the kerfuffle was the assault and battery case of Jon David Goldberg, 36. Judge Marjorie Laird Carter was forced to order a continuance in his preliminary hearing. He faces multiple charges of using a firearm against his estranged wife, Ra-

In a separate case, Goldberg is accused of murdering Fortuna Fire Captain Timothy Thomas Smith Sr. last September. Smith allegedly cuckolded Goldberg and the suspect is accused if exacting revenge in a storm of gun-

The preliminary hearing in the assault case was on the docket last week in Courtroom 2. The

"This is ridiculous."

- court clerk

deputy district attorney, Luke Bernthal, was otherwise committed in Courtroom 5 and never did appear for Goldberg's case.

As the delay dragged on from the deputy D.A.'s absence, a surrogate blindsided Public Defender Casey Russo, Goldberg's lawyer, with word that the People had just obtained a 15-minute recording from a new state's witness, Frieda Smith, not otherwise identified.

She appeared in the courtroom for a few minutes while Russo and Judge Carter began sorting out what to do next.

Russo retired to a holding room to listen to the interview. On his return he immediately asked for a three-week continu-

"Very well," the judge said briskly, clearly pleased that business was being transacted at last. The case was postponed until March 8 at 9:45.

Goldberg has pleaded not COURT \* A8

❖ ARCATA CITY HALL

## Council will appoint Wheetley's replacement

Kevin L. Hoover MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA - With Councilmember Mark Wheetley leaving the Arcata City Council March 1 to take a job as Fortuna's city manager, the council has decided to appoint a replacement rather than hold a special election. The new councilmember will serve out the remainder of Wheetley's term of office, through November of next year.

The council's options were to appoint a new member, hold a special election or wait until the next general municipal election in November 2018. Another option was to pass a new ordinance specifying councilmember replacement procedures.



Paul **Pitino** 

According to a staff report, the county's Elections Division estimated costs for a special election this November at up to \$25,000, while an all-mail ballot in August would cost about \$45,000.

Mayor Susan Ornelas said that an estimated 90 percent of the responses to a query she made on Facebook were sup-

portive of an appointment. "We voted you guys in: we trust your point of view; appoint," was how she described the consensus.

Councilmember Paul Pitino, a strong advocate of putting the matter to a vote, said an election would pique interest in democracy and stimulate public involvement. "It does support people voting for their representatives, instead of us choosing," Piti-



Mark Wheetley

Michael Councilmember Winkler said turnout was "extremely poor" in a 2005 special election held to replace Councilmember Elizabeth Connor, one which ironically, resulted in Wheetley's election.

"I think that there are a lot better things we can do with \$20,000," Winkler said.

Ornelas advocated interviewing applicants for the post in public. "We could always change our mind," she said.

Councilmember Sofia Pereira said that while she is "conflicted about it," constituents have told her an appointment would be fine. She said the process could include a candidate forum and other public involvement features of an election. "Emulating that as much as possible would be a critical piece,'

"My goal is to get the best councilmember here," Ornelas said. She said she wanted someone capable and open-minded, "without a pre-opinion."

Pitino said that if it requires multiple meetings and staff time, an appointment process could end up costing as much as an election. He continued to argue for one, saying that the democracy is under stress nationally, and the council shouldn't further "try to subvert that."

This brought a swift rebuke from Ornelas, who called the term "inciting."

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# McKinleyville committee to discuss smoking ban, agenda rules

## Where should you be able to light up?

#### **Jack Durham** MAD RIVER UNION

McKINLEYVILLE -McKinleyville's advisory committee may make a recommendation tonight, Feb. 22 on whether the county should pursue its own smoking or-

The McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee will take up the matter when it meets at 6 p.m. at the newly named Middle School Conference Center (previously called the Azalea Conference Center), located on the east side of the McKinleyville Middle School campus at Central Avenue and Railroad

The cities of Arcata, Eureka, Blue Lake and Fortuna all have their own smoking ordinances, which limit where people can smoke. But unincorporated Humboldt County, which includes McKinleyville, Westhaven, Orick, Willow Creek and Cutten, do not have an ordi-

The absence of an ordinance al-

lows people to light up in parks, on trails, at beaches, in outdoor workplaces, at ATM machines and while waiting at bus stops.

Tobacco Free Humboldt is urging the County of Humboldt to adopt an ordinance to protect people from second-hand smoke from all sources, including tobacco and cannabis.

Tobacco Free Humboldt is advocating what it calls a "model ordinance," which would include the maximum restrictions on smoking.

This would include a ban on smoking in the common areas of apartment complexes and could even include the private apartments

The idea was brought before the advisory committee late last year, but members decided to postpone making a recommendation so they could solicit more public input.

If the committee makes a recommendation, it will be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for discussion. The committee's decision would be advisory only.

# Member was unable to get rent control on agenda

**Jack Durham** MAD RIVER UNION

McKINLEYVILLE - The McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee may change its policy tonight, Feb. 22 on how items are placed on its meeting agendas.

The proposal was spurred by a conflict last year, in which a committee member wanted to place an item on the agenda, but the request was refused by committee Chair Ben Shepherd, who sets the meeting agendas and decides what gets on and what does not.

Last year, committee member Craig Tucker asked that the issue of rent control be placed on the agenda for the Oct. 26 meeting. Tucker wanted the committee to take a position on Measure V, which was approved by voters on Nov. 8. The measure enacted rent control for mobile home parks in unincorporated Humboldt County.

Shepherd, however, refused to put the matter on the agenda, saying that it was outside the committee's purview because it was a county wide issue and not specific to McKinleyville.

This reasoning raised a few eyebrows, as Measure S, the marijuana tax, and Measure U, the road tax, were on the Oct. 26 meeting agenda as informational items. The committee had also take a position previously against the idea of rent control, although it never took a position

Shepherd's control of meeting agendas may be slightly loosened if the committee approves a proposed policy change, which will be considered when it meets this evening, Feb. 22 at 6 p.m. at the Middle School Conference Center (formerly Azalea Conference Center), located on the east side of the McKinleyville Middle School campus.

The meeting is open to the public.

Under the existing policy, any member of the committee can ask for an agenda item, but the chair has the ability to keep the item off the agenda if he determes it is outside the committee's purview.

Under the proposed policy, if two committee members ask that an item be placed on the agenda, and the chair disagrees, then the issue would be brought before the full committee for consid-

The committee would then decide whether the item is worthy of being on an agenda. If the committee approves the item, then it would appear on the agenda of the next meeting.

Also at tonight's meeting, the advisory committee will review the county ordinance which spells out its scope and purpose and will elect new officers.

#### ❖ MCKINLEYVILLE

## Confusion solution OK'd

#### **Jack Durham** MAD RIVER UNION

McKINLEYVILLE - Mack Town's school board decided to keep things simple when it renamed the Azalea Conference Center last week,

The McKinleyville Union School District Board of Trustees voted unanimously Feb. 15 to name the building the Middle School Conference Center effective immedi-

"We tried to minimize confusion," said district Superintendent Jan Schmidt.

The Azalea Conference Center was one of two meeting venues in McKinleyville to use the word azalea in its name. The other venue is Azalea Hall, located down the street at Pierson Park.

People who attend public meetings would sometimes arrive at the wrong venue, confused by the similarity of the names.

Changing the name of the former Azalea Conference Center was suggested by resident Carol Newman at the Nov. 30 meeting of the McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee, which alternates between the two buildings depending on the anticipated attendance at its meetings.

Azalea Hall is a large venue, which can hold several hundred people.

The Middle School Conference Room is located inside a portable classroom on the back side of McKinleyville Middle School.

**THE BUMPERS** McKinleyville Low Vision Support group, The Bumpers, invites the public to the group's meeting on Monday, Feb. 27 from 11 a.m. to noon at Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd. in McKinlevville. The topic is tips for family and friends of people with low vision. Find more information visit visionaware.org/ or contact Doug Rose at (707) 839-0588 or dougdrose@suddenlink.net.

### FURNITURE THE PLAZA

Sometimes when you're in a dark place, you think you've been buried, but actually, you've been planted.

Anonymous



#### **\*** BUSINESS

## Celebrating small business success in Arcata

ARCATA ECONOMIC

**DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION** 

ARCATA - "Let the Good Times Roll," is the theme for Arcata Economic Development Corporation's annual business networking event Spotlight on Success to be held at the Arcata Theatre Lounge on Tuesday, Feb. 28 from 5 to 7:30 p.m.

More than 30 local businesses and business development organizations participate in this celebration of small business by contributing food, business displays, sponsors and door prize donations. The Redwood Dixie Gators will play live music at this Mardi Gras inspired event.

The Humboldt Del Norte Film Commission will be honored for its economic impact to the community.

"The film commission just wrapped up a month long movie that was filmed entirely in Humboldt County. The cast and crew filled hotels, ate in local restaurants and frequented our local retail shops during a traditionally slow business time," said Susan Seaman, program director for the corporation. "This was only one of three major movie shoots planned for this year. In addition, our film commissioner schedules photo shoots and commercials, all while serving as leader in the film industry, including serving as the President of Film Liaisons in California Statewide. We're thrilled to honor their hard work this

Tickets to this event are free. For more information, including a list of participating businesses, visit aedc1. org/spotlight-success.

If you are a business and you would like to participate, call Keif at (707)

## **Businesses fined for hazardous waste violations**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

HUMBOLDT - The Humboldt County Department of Health & Human Services, Division of Environmental Health recently issued hazardous waste violation fines to four businesses that operate in Humboldt County.

The penalties and agency costs totaling \$29,599 over the last six months were levied after investigations found storage and hazardous waste disposal requirements, and failing to prevent hazardous wastes from reaching the environment.

The following businesses received penalties:

- Antich Automotive, Eureka A complaint inspection of Antich Automotive in 2012 revealed a substantial waste oil spill from an indoor tank extending outside the business' building. Antich failed to follow its own established spill-response plan and spill-reporting requirements. The case was settled in 2016 with Antich Automotive paying \$6,080 in fines and agency costs.
- Figas Construction, Arcata In 2012, environmntal health staff was denied consent to inspect a Figas Construction property that was later found to be mishandling hazardous substances, failing to comply with hazardous materials business plan submittal requirements, and illegally transporting hazardous waste. Through an administrative enforcement order, the owner of Figas Construction paid penalties of \$14,000 for the violations issued.
- Hoopa Valley Ready-Mix, Willow Creek A 2015 spill report from the California Office of Emergency Services

was investigated at Hoopa Valley Ready Mix. During the investigation, cement wastewater was found to be discharging off-site. The business had failed to comply with hazardous materials business plan submittal requirements. Through an administrative enforcement order in 2016, the owner of Hoopa Valley Ready-Mix paid \$7,835 in penalties and agency costs for failing to comply with hazardous materials business plan submittal require ments, and failure to report a release of a hazardous sub-

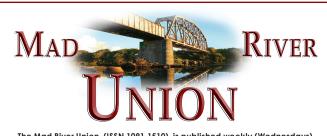
• Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), Loleta – A 2016 spill report of a potential release from a transformer located on a dairy ranch in Loleta revealed PG&E's failure to maintain its equipment. On Jan. 4, 2017, PG&E paid \$1,684.72 in penalties and agency costs.

Administrative penalties are issued under authority granted by the California Health and Safety Code. Incidents can carry a fine of \$5,000 to \$25,000 per day, per violation.

Although McKinleyville is a wonderful place, it does have a dark underbelly. While generally a safe place to visit, there are thieves that will steal anything that's not nailed down. You need to lock up your bicycle if you're going to leave it unattended. If you leave your car at a parking lot near the Hammond Trail or at any of the local beaches, put your valuables in a trunk or out of sight. One of the preferred methods used by our local scumbums is the "smash and grab." They smash car windows and grab everything they can. This situation

totally sucks and we wish there was something we could do about it.. -McKinleyville Visitors Guide on mckinleyvillepress.com

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#### **❖** GREEN RUSH

# Concerns over banking pot tax cash

**Daniel Mintz** 

MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT – As banking issues continue to affect the state's legal marijuana industry, Humboldt County's treasurer-tax collector has told the Board of Supervisors that the banking of marijuana tax revenue won't trigger money-laundering oversight.

The prominent issue of banking marijuana-related income was discussed at the Feb. 14 supervisors meeting. Supervisor Estelle Fennell has been invited to join the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) working group on implementing marijuana legalization and she talked about the association's policy exploration.

A CSAC committee on financial issues met recently and Fennell reported that "the focus was on banking issues and taxation, which will lead to a lot more money coming into government, whether it's state or local."

She said Santa Cruz County Supervisor Bruce McPherson updated the committee on his county's collection of marijuana dispensary taxes, whose payments have been made in cash.

McPherson told the committee that the first six months of Santa Cruz dispensary taxation yielded \$3 million in revenue, Fennell reported, and "there were a couple of dozen of deliveries of cash in the \$20,000 to \$30,000 range, so you can see that it becomes an issue."

In Humboldt County, Measure S, the county's marijuana excise tax ballot measure, gained voter approval last November. The county will soon have to deal with the dilemma of collecting – and banking – payments that are made in cash due to marijuana's status as a federally-illegal Schedule One controlled substance.

Fennell said the state is divided into four taxation districts, with the two northern districts accepting cash payments. So far, \$8 million in mostly cash tax payments have been made in the northern districts, she continued.

"The largest cash payment they had was \$450,000 so of course it's a huge is-

sue," Fennell said. She added that while the banking issues are unresolved, CSAC is "stepping up to represent all counties dealing with this." She said she'll advance the county's concerns to the association's marijuana working group, whose first meeting is on March 16.

During a public comment session, Kent Sawatsky, a frequent commenter on agenda items, asked whether or not the banking of marijuana revenue would be considered money laundering by the feds.

County Treasurer-Tax Collector John Bartholomew said the federal Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) requires banks to file Suspicious Activity Reports on marijuana-related deposits, which is labor-intensive and costly.

That's why banks don't want to deal with marijuana-related accounts, Bartholomew added. But he also said that accounts of governments are treated differently.

A working group meeting sponsored by the state Treasurer's Office the previous week included "a very extensive financial report" from an Atlanta attorney, Bartholomew reported. The upshot, he said, was that "there's no viable way to work around the federal and banking rules and still be able to participate in the FDIC system."

But Bartholomew added that government entities are exempt from FinCEN rules.

"This is my understanding – a bank does not have any reason nor ability to request that a government entity have reports filed on them because of activity that the banks think might be connected to cannabis," he told supervisors.

Fennell said banking is still "a huge issue" as California's legal marijuana industry will probably be larger than Washington's and Colorado's combined and cash payments will be impractical.

She added that federal enforcement is generally on hold due to the Obamaera issuance of a policy memo. But that could change now that a new presidential administration is in place – including an attorney general who believes the use of marijuana is immoral.



REDEDICATION International Education Week kicked off Feb. 13 at Humboldt State with a rededication of a Peace Pole, first planted by Dr. Alistair McCrone in 1990 in memory of Al Elpsusan, who died while visiting the Phillipines in 1990. Kayla Begay, left, spoke at the event.

PHOTO BY MICHAEL DRONKERS

# Defense attorneys object to public defender hiring process

**Daniel Mintz** 

MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT – Local defense attorneys have asked county supervisors to reel back their appointment of a new public defender due to concerns over the make-up of an advisory hiring committee.

The recent hiring of David Marcus, who is taking the place of retired Public Defender Kevin Robinson, was questioned during the public comment session of the Feb. 14 Board of Supervisors meeting.

Concerns over the hiring process were explored in a recent report in the *North Coast Journal* written by its editor, Thaddeus Greenson.

The criticism of the hiring process focuses on the composition of a panel that made recommendations to supervisors on public defender candidates. The panel included no defense attorneys.

Those involved in prosecution were well-represented, however, as the panel included the county's district attorney, undersheriff and chief probation officer. Other members of the panel were from the county's Child Welfare Services division and Department of Health and Human Services.

Another concern is that when Marcus was the public defender in Lassen County several years ago, he was involved in a controversy over his recommendation to use out-of-town investigators.

As cited in the *North Coast Journal*, a 2011 *Lassen County Times* report quotes a Lassen County investigator telling Lassen's

Board of Supervisors that Marcus had "lost sight of the fact that his office's primary responsibility is to assist public clients and not facilitate the district attorney's prosecutions."

The *Journal* also reported that the 2010 to 2011 Lassen County Grand Jury "issued a scathing report on Marcus."

At last week's Humboldt County Board of Supervisors meeting, longtime Eureka defense attorney Greg Rael emphasized the importance of having an independent public defender.

"So what should be done when it's time to hire a new public defender?" he asked. "Well, I think the last thing you'd want to do is ask the people who are the adversaries of the public defender to make a recommendation to you and unfortunately that's exactly what happened here."

Rael asked supervisors to "consider acknowledging that this process was flawed, go back to the drawing board and compose a new committee that includes members of the defense bar."

Robinson, the county's retired public defender, agreed. He said he was asked by local defense attorneys to express his and their "dismay" with the hiring process.

He added that three local candidates who had worked under his supervision were "passed over" despite his belief that they would be "remarkable public defenders."

"I think the process was flawed," Robinson said.

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## **Patient's Perspective** | Self worth

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susceptible to even more trau-

"I was treated like an insect," she says, in a subliminal echo of Russian novelist Fydor Dostoevsky, who was jailed as a political prisoner in the brutally dank and forbidding Peter and Paul Fortress on an island in the Neva River in St. Petersburg in the 19th century. "The degree of civilization in a society can be judged by entering its prisons," Dostoevsky wrote. "You don't show your own wisdom by shutting someone else in a mad-

Articulate, clear-sighted, intelligent and exceptionally selfaware of her multi-pronged illness and alcohol habit, Carlsmith has hard hitting things to say about a handful of abusive police officers, maltreatment in the Humboldt County jail and the mechanistic "get'em in, get em out" methods at Sempervirens Psychiatric Health Facility.

She also takes aim at the demoralization, evangelical superstitions and documented ineffectiveness she experienced in Alcoholics Anonymous and its counterparts, "which have been corrupted," in her view. She calls 12-step programs stopgaps, not solutions.

Despite an occasional bad encounter with police here and there, she generally has high praise for officers of the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office, the Arcata Police Department and for Dr. Mark Lamers, county mental health clinical psychologist in the Department of Health and Human Services. He has helped her turn her life around,

During a candid interview recently in her tiny trailer home, Carlsmith told a reporter that what she most wants to share with the community is the pressing need for a radical overhaul of the treatment given to victims of grave mental disorders who have suffered repeated and debilitating trauma, in jail and out.

"My ideal treatment is a whole different paradigm than what the mental health care system is offering now," she begins. "This applies to addiction, incarceration, criminality, mental illness and sexual assault."

She defines paradigm shift as a comprehensive move away from punishment toward the restoration of mental health patients' autonomy, independence, self-worth and self-respect.

"People who have been victims of all those things need to

be empowered. The system as it is now continues to take more power away and infantilizes people. What is most needed is a mental health care system that gives people their choices back, gives them their sense of self, their sense of worth, their sense of productivity.

"We need work programs and creativity, using dance, animals, horseback riding and wilderness programs, with a heavy emphasis on teamwork. The whole jail and mental health system gets people into a vicious cycle of cons and drug trafficking and dishonesty, thieving and bullying. These are rewarded, certainly, in jail. They are all the wrong incentives."

What would spur a dramatic turnaround in mental health care is the adoption or adaptation of initiatives like Outward Bound, the non-profit, outdoor-education program that employs demanding expeditions in the wild to instill teamwork, individual initiative and social

Such programs "are difficult and challenging and you have to work and you have to work as teams and make sacrifices. You give a patient or a prisoner a challenge; you're not just sitting in a cell getting your 'three hots and a cot' and reading books. It's essential to give people the choice of two different ways to go," between rehabilitation and criminality.

Carlsmith recognizes that such programs would not be suitable for everyone.

She draws a sharp line between diagnosed mental health patients who are motivated to rehabilitate themselves criminal malcontents, whom she calls "perpetrators."

"These people are sociopaths who have no compassion. Their only motivation is to take advantage of people whenever they can, no matter what treatment they receive. Those who just want to go on being a criminal probably won't choose that."

Carlsmith endorsed the creation of a Humboldt County "Jail Mental Health Team" which was recommended last fall by Public Defender Kevin Robinson, who retired recently after long service.

She also embraced Robinson's conviction that neither the jails nor the courts are equipped to treat the mentally ill, undertaking which rightfully belongs in medical institutions, not in the criminal justice system.

#### ❖ A PATIENT'S PERSPECTIVE

# Jails can't treat mental illness

**Paul Mann** 

MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT - Imprisonment is intended to protect the mentally ill from themselves and from others, says longtime mental health patient Ann Marie

Yet the nominal protection has often been a razor sharp, two-edged sword in her turbulent experience.

Arrest and incarceration immerse a hallucinating, hyper manic and terrified prisoner in a wolfish, mortifying criminal culture, she says. Physically, you are confined in an icy cell of sublunary darkness and gloom. It is barbarous, like a tomb, a scene of squalor from a Charles Dickens novel.

Carlsmith graphically describes being in an overnight holding cell: "No food, no blankets, one thin layer of clothing, a little sink and a little toilet. It's freezing cold and you're nearly naked."

Frustration becomes unbearable. She has multiple scars from scratching herself until she bled. In an Oregon jail, she hung herself upside down and dropped herself on her head. "People assumed I was suicidal. I think I was desperately asking for help." Arrested more often than she can remember, Carlsmith knows what it is like to be locked away in a Humboldt safety cell for inmates considered actively suicidal.

'Six officers escort me down to this cell, with a Taser drawn and at-the-ready. It's a bare cell with a single, barred floor drain, semi-padded walls, no sink, nothing. They throw me down, take off all my clothes and hand me a bristly plastic turtle shell as cover, then they back out. I'm left in there. It's very cold and I'm generally guarded by men. A lot of the time I was naked because the turtle shell was so bristly and very uncomfortable. It felt like a concentration camp to me. I thought I was in a nightmare. I thought, 'This cannot be the United States!' A lot of my jail experiences have been like that."

Once, she recalls, she was in solitary confinement for some 36 days. Each of the mentally ill inmates is put in a single cell "because you might hurt yourself or hurt others. From my observation, most of the women who were in single cells were more mentally ill than criminal. There was lots of crying and typical post-traumatic stress behavior."

She calls treatment in Humboldt County jail "very mixed." Handcuffed and frisked, "you are intentionally made to feel very uncomfortable when first taken into custody. Their working assumption is that most people coming in are under the influence of chemicals. They want to punish you and make you stop doing these things." They have no knowledge of the science and organic nature of addiction.

On the other hand, Carlsmith says many police officers do recognize the symptoms of mental illness. The generality of Humboldt Sheriff's deputies and Arcata police officers have been respectful when she has acting out: climbing to the tops of buildings or trees or throwing herself in front of a car.

Such behavior, she emphasizes, is what the French call a *cri de coeur*, a cry of the heart, a plea for professional care and clinical treatment.

The police do want to protect me; but the only

**PUBLIC SAFETY TASK FORCE** Arcata's new Public Safety Task Force meets Wednesday, Feb. 22 at 6 p.m. in City Council Chamber, 736 F St. The meeting begins with oral communications, where citizens may discuss topics not on the agenda.

The task force will next receive updates from the four working groups: community resources, outreach pamphlet, website review and Pathway Proj-

way they know how to protect me is to arrest me. That's a lot of what's happened to me and other [mentally ill] people. It then leaves me with a criminal record, mug shots on the Internet, an inability to get jobs. It's a very vicious circle."

Here and there she has been accosted by police who were chauvinistic, even vicious, and destitute of imaginative empathy. The victim and the officer can wind up intensely frustrating one another, with injurious consequences.

There is some mental health care in the Humboldt County jail, Carlsmith says, but it is not sustaining. She credits Dr. Mark Lamers, mental health clinical psychologist in the Department of Health and Human Services, "who realized from the first I didn't belong in jail. He respected me and treated me with dignity and compassion and that started to make a change. He and his team are very good."

Carlsmith says suicide prevention is much better in Humboldt County than elsewhere, but she condemned her treatment at Sempervirens Psychiatric Health Facility as authoritarian, impersonally bureaucratic, overly reliant on sedation and woefully short of permanent clinicians.

"In general they just drug you," she said. "It tends to be almost as bad as jail because there's a punitive attitude of 'To be there, you must have done something wrong," e.g., alcohol or other chemical abuse.

"The first place you go is a room with clouded glass. You're given drugs and the staff can see you from behind windows, but you can't see them. Men and women are left together in the same room and left alone with no human contact. It's called the Crisis Stabilization Unit. I think it's absolutely stupid to take someone who is in the most severe mental crisis possibly of their entire life, and having possibly attempted suicide, and you don't talk to them for 24 hours! The unit is an assembly line essentially. Even if you're moved into the in-patient hospital, the treatment is basically to medicate you and take care of the absolute minimum to get you released."

Knowledgeable about Alcoholics Anonymous and other 12 step programs, Carlsmith says AA in particular is too preoccupied with moral improvement to the neglect of clinical treatment.

"Only five percent of the people recover who go into a 12-step or clinical treatment program that is abstinence-based," she pointed out.

She believes the sky-high, 95 percent failure rate stems from AA's adherence to moral absolutes. "It's black-and-white. It's moralistic and can be very punitive. They try to motivate you with guilt and fear and manipulate that. Bill Wilson [AA founder] never intended that, I don't think, but it's been corrupt-

The program can make people who fall short feel worse, inadequate, deeply depressed and even sui-

Carlsmith considers Harm Reduction Therapy more prudent and realistic. Gaining attention in Humboldt, the program rejects the "quit now and forever" regimen in favor of personal goals reached with sensible steps that manage addictive behavior with coping mechanisms short of total abstinence.

It will then review neighborhood priorities. New business includes discussion of current crime prevention programs; community stewards, community outreach including service club representation, website and upcoming events; discussion of student safety: micro-aggression; then a discussion of speakers and topics.

## **Flooding** | Valley West, hospital could flood after dam break

FROM A1

hoods and how and where people and equipment would be deployed. Greenway helped the fire district obtain a \$97,000 grant from the California State Water Resources Control Board a year ago.

Greenway Project Manager Kirk Cohune said his company will work with the fire district and various stakeholders to develop the plan over the next 12 months and will develop training materials and hold tabletop exercises.

The idea is to have a well-though-out game plan in place in the event of such a catastrophe.

### If Ruth Lake's dam fails

Arcata Fire Chief Justin McDonald discussed the emergency plan last week, just days after about 200,000 residents living downstream from the Oroville Dam in Butte County were evacuated due to concerns that the dam's spillway would fail. As of early this week, the spillway was holding up and residents were allowed back home, but the incident raises the question: Could Humboldt be threatened by dam failures? The answer: Yes.

There are six dams located upstream from Humboldt County waterways. All of them are outside Humboldt County, but if they failed they would send a wall of water downstream, flooding and, in some cases destroying local towns.

One of biggest concerns for the Arcata Fire District is the R.W. Matthews Dam, an earthen structure in Trinity County that holds back Ruth Lake.

Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District, which owns the dam, called a cataclysmic failure "highly unlikely" in its Emergency Response Plan. But failure is not impossible.

"Nothing is infallible," said Cohune, who is carefully studying the various disaster scenar-

There are several different scenarios that could potentially cause the dam to fail. There could be a giant earthquake, a

terrorist attack or there could be a massive storm that overwhelms the spillway and causes the lake to top the dam and erode structure. It is worth noting that the dam, built in 1962, survived the Flood of 1964.

### Wall of water

The Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District created "enhanced inundation maps" that show where Ruth Lake water would go and how high it would be if the dam failed. The district uses two different scenarios - "a sunny day" scenario with low water flows in the Mad River and a worst-case scenario, with flood levels similar to the great Flood of 1964.

Under the worst case scenario, a wall of water would sweep through the Mad River watershed, wiping out small towns, taking out bridges and destroying roads.

The destructive deluge would hit the Maple Creek area about four hours after the dam failure. About an hour and a half later, a wall of water would wash over Kor-

About five and a half hours after the dam break, the water would reach Blue Lake, where the water would be about six feet tall at Blue Lake City Hall.



The Valley West area of Arcata would start seeing water about seven hours after the dam break, with the peak flow about 11 hours after the dam break. The area would be covered in about two to four feet of fast-moving water, carrying debris, snags and logs that would act like battering rams, destroying property as the water

slowly drained away into the bay and out into the ocean. Water levels would drop significantly as flows cross the Arcata Bottom and the South G Street area.

McKinleyville, which sits atop a bluff, would be spared, except for low lying bottom land.

### Other dam threats

Humboldt County's Dam Failure Contingency Plan, approved by the Board of Supervisors last summer, lists five other dams that would pose a threat to local communities if they failed.

The Lewiston and Trinity dams, located near Weaverille in Trinity County, would flood downstream communities along the Trinity River, which empties into the Klamath River. Humboldt County communities that could be flooded are Sandy Bar, China Flat, Willow Creek, Sugar Bowl, Hoopa Valley, Weitchpec, Martin's Ferry, Cappell Flat, Pecwan, Johnsons and Blue Creek.

Scott Dam in Lake County holds back the Eel River. If the dam were to fail, Lake Pillsbury would flow down the Eel River watershed, wiping out communities along the way. Humboldt County communities include Alderpoint, Fort Seward, Eel Rock, McCann, Camp Grant, South Fork, Weott,

Burlington, Myers Flat, Miranda, Larabee, Holmes, Shively, Pepperwood, Elinor, Stafford, Scotia, Rio Dell, Metropolitan, Fortuna, Fernbridge, Loleta bottoms, Ferndale and Ferndale bottoms.

The Copco and Iron Gate Dams in Siskiyou County hold back the Klamath River. Should these dams fail, Humboldt County communities that would be affected include Orleans, Bluff Creek, Weitchepec, Martin's Ferry, Cappell Flat, Pecwan, Johnsons and Blue Creek.

The Dam Failure Contingency Plan does not include inundation maps showing where the communities would be flooded and at what depth. The Humboldt County Office of Emergency Services plans to add additional data to the document in the fu-

### Disaster response

Fire Chief McDonald emphasized that the emergency response plan that is being prepared for the fire district is for any type of major flooding, not just those caused by dam failures. The flooding could come from a tsunami, or just a big storm.

"It doesn't really matter where the water is coming from," McDonald said.

The document will be detailed, he said, giving firefighters a clear plan for what to do in the event of a major flood. This will include details such a script to read through loudspeakers on fire trucks, urging residents to evacuate.

In the event of a dam failure, the Valley West area and neighborhoods near Mad River Community Hospital would need to be evacuated. The hospital, McDonald said, has its own evacuation plan.

"The big thing is that when there's an evacuation, you've got to go," McDonald

# PUBLIC SAFETY

# Imbecilian effrontery by superfluous shoutabouts

• Monday, January 16 12:14 a.m. A thermally deprived and rather imperious man called 911 demanding a blanket and offering a morality challenge. Were it not delivered, he said he would "freeze to death and it will tually arrested. be all on them."

4:36 a.m. After an argument during which she attempted to drive away, a woman said her boyfriend threw her car keys on top of her Olympia Street house.

**5:13 a.m.** The key-tossing boyfriend, having immobilized her car, chose to crawl inside and go to

**11:16 a.m.** A man camping in Rotary Park didn't receive a request to stop smoking with any particular grace. Rather, with all the gravitas someone draped in a rancid poncho and beanie can muster, he roared ferociously at a mom and her child, and was cited.

• Tuesday, January 17 12:04 p.m. A man loitered on H Street under a sign that reads "No Loitering," refusing to leave, and not even his guitar stylings exempted him from the posted dictum.

**12:21 p.m.** After an embittered ex posted a woman's phone number on a website, she started getting creepy messages and images

**2:44 p.m.** A scruffy-faced man indulged his rather arcane hobbies on G Street, these being slamming his car's brakes, yelling at people for no reason and taking pictures.

**6:08 p.m.** "Don't touch me, I'm bleeding" exclaimed a woman's voice, emanating from a 16th Street alley. Police found the area quiet. • Wednesday, January 18 11:41 a.m. A stickup at an Alliance Road mini-mart involved a silver handgun that appeared to have just been painted for the occasion.

12:06 p.m. A Valley West cannabis clinic plagued by the imbecilian effrontery of hubristic travelers now has to contend with someone using its dumpster, in this case to dump possibly stolen power tools and a safe. **12:42 p.m.** Someone used a rare coin, probably stolen, to pay for some bit of ephemera at a Valley West mini-mart.

2:24 p.m. A man on 10th Street seemed confused, or at least cautious in his journey down the block. It took him a half-hour to traverse the distance from F to G streets, as much of his time was consumed by looking

**4:46 p.m.** A man in black rummaged through the dumpster of a Northtown erotic supply facility, his grimy labors punctuated by bouts of yelling at employees.

• Thursday, January 19 8:55 a.m. Asked to leave the premises at an assisted living facility on E Street, two men and and a pair of pit bulls misinterpreted the request as "Please lock yourselves in one of the apartment bathrooms."

• Friday, January 20 3:24 p.m. APD officers assisted their University Police counterparts in subduing a combative naked man on

**5:16 p.m.** A woman in the ER with a broken nose would say only that her boyfriend did it in Arcata, but wouldn't name him.

5:41 p.m. Far from your run-of-the-mill streetcorner bellower, your par-for-thecourse roadside racket-maker, or your sameold same-old superfluous shoutabout, the street serenader on K Street distinguished himself with an innovative T-shirt-and-necktie combo, a set of suitcases and a possible beard. After two calls for relief from his yelling and singing, police arrested the luggage-laden loudie for public drunkenness.

• Saturday, January 21 11:43 a.m. A man strode about G Street dressed only in his undergarments, an arrest interrupting his expedition.

• Sunday, January 22 12:09 a.m. Knowledge-questing guests at an 11th Street party took time away from the merriment to investigate the status of door handles on cars up and down the street. Their data-gathering protocols may have been lacking, as no clipboards or lab coats were described, though the field studies did pass peer review.

2:48 a.m. Diablo, a devil-may-care Alaskan Malamute, set out from the area of Fourth Street to make his own way in the world.

**4:36 a.m.** The casual elegance of an Alliance Road mini-mart buckled under an onslaught of urine and saliva from a blue jean-clad emissions fountain. Spent from his spitty pissysnit against the defenseless edifice, the barefoot galoot cooled his unshod heels near the ice bag fridge out front.

10:56 a.m. A dog ran blamelessly off leash alongside its oblivious owner on a bike near Mt. Trashmore, because there are no standards any more.

2:05 p.m. A woman spread her belongings out across tables at a Valley West pizza restaurant, then refused to leave until even-

**3:14 p.m.** What began as a report of an unattended sleeping bag at a Valley West laundromat dissolved into strife as the caller and a man began arguing over the orphaned sleeping device, and the line went dead. A second call from the same person featured more snarvulent background argy-bargy over the increasingly controversial sleeping bag.

7:59 p.m. Doing little to enhance assumptions about long-haired urban backpackers, a so-configured nongentleman snabbed a donation jar in the checkout aisle at a 13th Street store, becoming something of a video star to store personnel and police.

• Monday, January 23 4:20 a.m. Doing little to enhance assumptions about baseball-capped fat guys dressed in all brown, a drunken man and his baseball bat refused to leave a Uniontown store, and was arrested.

**2:34 p.m.** A half-school bus on Valley West Boulevard contained two not-so-friendly dudes who personnel at a nearby preschool thought might be in the drug trade.

**3:48 p.m.** Another undescribed vehicle on Valley East Boulevard was a busy beehive of skeez, with folks coming and going for weeks. **4:51 p.m.** A Spear Avenue couch surfer repaid the favor by vandalizing his host's prop-

**6:54 p.m.** A man in a green jacket and yellow backpack stole beer and a thermos from a 13th Street store.

7:11 p.m. College students traversing the Sunset Avenue freeway overpass disenjoyed the view more than usual, since it included the exposed disgusto-bits attached to a perv in a car parked there. Once a caller got on the phone, the indecent exposer drove away.

• Tuesday, January 24 1:57 a.m. A Ribeiro Lane resident offered aid and comfort to Arcata's ever-swarming opportunivore battalions by leaving her wallet in her car, with the doors helpfully unlocked. A fourman squad of rough-and-ready rummagers took advantage of the offering, scooping up the wallet and slumping away northbound.

4:16 a.m. A woman couldn't awaken her 65-year-old husband, and the coroner was

7:59 a.m. A toolbox was stolen from the back of a Chestnut Place pickup truck.

**8:42 a.m.** Another working person's vehicle was burglarized overnight, its innards rummaged and ravaged, the doors and trunk left gaping obscenely ajar with a charging cable and some change taken.

12:27-12:29 p.m. More cars left unlocked with valuables inside on L.K. Wood Boulevard and Ribeiro Lane surrendered their contents to the roaming legions of doorhan-

2:41 p.m. And oh, how they danced, the little children of Tavern Alley ... two women, one of whom had an open container of booze in her purse from which both footloose and fancy free alley-dancers partook.

• Wednesday, January 25 12:16 p.m. Leaving her iPod and \$500 prescription glasses in her unlocked car on Ribeiro Lane must have made sense in the moment, though the aftermath was not what one might call

12:50 p.m. When that lady drove up and dumped her household garbage in Stewart Park's trash receptacles, she didn't anticipate someone taking pictures of her and her car license plate. So the certified-mail letter from APD probably came as a shocker.

1:23 p.m. "I trust you," said a man's voice on the 911 line before disconnecting. Called back, he said he had fallen out of his wheel-

• Thursday, January 26 8:21 a.m. Abluejeaned, loopy loudie at a Bayside café chose yelling as the medium by which he expressed his dissatisfaction with his fellow humans ...

8:51 a.m. ... while across town in Valley West, another blue jeaned bellower selected screaming to make his points.

10:04 a.m. The new ATM at a Plaza bank was smashed, with environmental benefits consisting of shards of e-waste sent to some landfill somewhere.

4:25 p.m. A man whose hoodie warned of "DRAGONS" stole some food from an I Street store, then plopped himself down on the store's north side for a leisurely munch.

7:15 p.m. A woman made off with no less than a case of beer and two bottles of vodka from a Uniontown supermarket.

## Wanted man arrested in NoHum motel

**HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE** WILLOW CREEK - On Wednesday, Feb. 15 the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office received a tip regarding the whereabouts of fugitive Joshua Went-

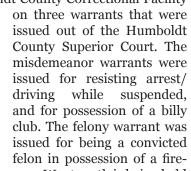
worth. At approximately 10:15 a.m., deputies from the Sherriff's Trinity River Division, assisted by officers from the California Highway Patrol followed up on the tip at a motel in the 39000 block of State Route 299 in Willow Creek.

Through investigation on scene, deputies were able to determine that Wentworth

was likely in one of the rooms at the motel with girlfriend, Tamara Conley, who was also a fugitive. Because Wentworth was considered armed and dangerous, deputies and CHP officers set up a perimeter around the motel, and verbal commands were used to request the suspects' surrender. A short time later,

both Wentworth and Conley exited the room and were taken into custody without incident.

Wentworth was later booked into the **Humboldt County Correctional Facility** 



arm. Wentworth is being held without bail. Conley was later cited and released on a misdemeanor warrant.

Anyone with information for the Sheriff's Office regarding this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Sheriff's Office at (707) 445-7251 or the Sheriff's Office Crime Tip line at (707) 268-2539.

## 2016 spike in vehicle theft

Wentworth

HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

HUMBOLDT – There has been a spike in vehicle theft in Humboldt County. In 2015, there were 494 stolen vehicles. In 2016, there were 688.

The Honda Accord continues to rank as the number one vehicle stolen out of Humboldt County, and the Honda Civic and Toyota Camry (and other older Toyota trucks) are ranked at number two and three respectively. Since 1984, Toyota has ranked as the most frequently stolen pick-up truck in the United States. With high resale value, there is an abundance of Hondas and Toyotas on the road and consumer demand is high. Additionally, their parts are interchangeable with similar models from year to year.

A significant number Humboldt County are taken with their very own ignition key. This is often the result of unsuspecting victims leaving their vehicles running while unattended or leaving a spare key with the ve-

hicle. Pre-1999 Honda and Toyotas passenger cars, along with Toyota trucks, are being stolen with a similar worn key (or pocket knife or screwdriver) due to their worn ignition switches. A small percentage of vehicles are stolen due to the steering column being broken to the point where the ignition can be started.

#### **2016 VEHICLE THEFTS**

| TOTAL    | 688 |
|----------|-----|
| Rio Dell | 11  |
| Fortuna  | 31  |
| Arcata   | 83  |
| Eureka   | 272 |
| CHP      | 291 |
|          |     |

Source: Humboldt County SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Approximately percent of vehicles stolen out of Humboldt County are recovered. However, of vehicles stolen out of they are usually stripped of anything valuable. A note of caution: Garage door openers are also stolen at the same time.

The CHP offers the following tips to help combat auto theft in Humboldt County:

• If you own a pre-1999 Honda or Toyota or find your ignition switches worn and loose on any vehicle, consider replacing the old ignition switch.

· Always remove all property of perceived value from the interior of your vehicle that can be seen from the outside - this includes change in the console.

· Remove hidden keys from your vehicle.

· Consider adding a motion light in the area where the vehicle is parked at your residence or work place if you work after dark.

· Another trend of auto theft is through residential burglaries. Most of us walk into our home and hang the key on a rack exposed to those who want to take our vehicles. Change the location where you store your keys and keep them out of sight.

· Always lock your vehicle doors, even in your driveway, and take your keys with you.

The more cautious we become, the less likely we are to become victims.

## McKinleyville woman found guilty of transporting a purseful of heroin

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

HUMBOLDT - On Feb. 15, Humboldt County District Attorney Maggie Fleming announced that a jury found Sharon Patrice Erickson, 46, of McKinleyville guilty of felony transportation of heroin.

The case began Aug. 27, 2014, when Humboldt County Sheriff's Deputy Gagnon stopped a vehicle driven by Erickson in the area of School Road and Central Avenue in McKinleyville. A background check revealed Erickson's license was suspended, and she was arrested.

At the Humboldt County Correctional Facility, a search of her purse uncovered more than 25 grams of heroin and a small digital scale. A more thorough search of the purse was later conducted, which revealed another quantity of heroin weighing

The case was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Trenton Timm with the assistance of D.A. Chief Investigator Wayne Cox. Erickson will return to court March 28 for sentencing by Judge Reinholtsen.

**BODY FOUND NEAR BRIDGE** On Saturday, Feb. 11 at about 4:44 p.m. Humboldt County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to the area of the Ryan Slough Bridge in Eureka on a report of a body lying in a stream. The body, later identified as that of Sam Whitney, 63, of Eureka was located underneath the northwest side of the bridge. Whitney was known to be a transient who lived underneath the bridge. The Sherriff's Office reports that foul play is not suspected and an autopsy is scheduled to determine the cause of death.

**DA HIRE** On Feb. 14, Humboldt County District Attorney Maggie Fleming announced the hiring of Deputy District Attorney Tobias Hasler. A graduate of UC Santa Cruz and Tulane University Law School, Hasler previously worked as an intern with both the Santa Barbara County District Attorney's Office and the Santa Barbara Superior Court. Hasler will be assigned a general misdemeanor caseload. This hiring restores last year's staffing level of 17 full-time attorneys, with three of those positions funded by Measure Z.

INVESTIGATOR OF THE YEAR Humboldt County District Attorney District Attorney Maggie Fleming announced that the California Sexual Assault Investigators Association has chosen District Attorney Investigator Kyla Baxley to receive its "Investigator of the Year" Award. Baxley has worked as a Humboldt County District Attorney investigator since 2013; she was the lead investigator on several cases, including those of David Anderson, Kailan Meserve and Thomas Lusk Jr.

#### ❖ ARCATA BUSINESS

# Redwood Auto may never reopen

Kevin L. Hoover MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA - When Redwood Automotive burned one night last month, it took out the only car repair shop with a Tibetian singing bowl at the front counter. It also left some motorists in actual tears.

For 25 years, the unconventional J Street service center has offered Arcatans an alternative to standard car repair shops. The mechanics didn't wear uniforms, and the reception area was quirkily decorated with hippie knick-knackery and LGBTQ-friendly newspaper clippings.

And when you got your bill, it sometimes seemed incomplete compared to some other shops – there weren't any surprise charges for problems you didn't know about, nor any high-buck estimates for things that supposedly needed fixing. In fact, it was the opposite - counter guy Michael Morgan would mention that little things like stuck windows or busted battery hold-downs had been fixed, no charge.

But all that changed when a rogue electrical junction box burst into flame in the dead of night Jan. 24. Fortunately, the sturdily built, 1950-vintage structure held its ground until firefighters arrived. While flames burned a key structural joist and part of the roof, they were blocked from spreading to the rest of the shop by a row of car repair manuals on a shelf on the other side of the wall.

Still, the damage was extensive. The building now needs a new roof, electrical system and, if it sticks to the original design, nine new windows.

If Redwood Auto is to reopen, it will also have to replace smoke-damaged equipment, and maybe some new mechan-

All in all, semi-retired owner Sam Ellsworth is looking at a major dilemma. "It's difficult for me," he said. "I am questioning what direction to go

Among the factors Ellsworth is weighing are the results of an engineering report, the findings of an insurance adjuster, the cooperativeness of the City of Arcata and the cost and hassle of reacquiring equipment and personnel after what will be a multi-month closure.

"In two weeks, we'll have a much better idea as to what's going to happen," Ellsworth said.

City Senior Planner Joe Mateer said the shop is a nonconforming use in the area, which is zoned Residential Medium-Density. While the city is always pushing for housing and would like to see some apartments there, it's also open to Redwood Auto carrying on as

plans for city approval. "The city was very cooperative," Ellsworth said.

before if Ellsworth chooses to. What-

ever he decides will require building

Perhaps most grievous is the toll on the five-person crew, most of whom have been laid off, and the customers who must now find alternatives to Redwood Auto's iconoclastic culture.

"I wanted to build the business as a neighborhood resource," Ellsworth



CHARRED The fire damaged a major beam and the roof, among other things.

said. "Not another business that

"I've had people come here in tears," said bookkeeper Patrick MacKenzie, still sorting out the finances in the now-denuded former reception area. As repairs proceed, the once merrily-cluttered shop has been gutted, its comforting contents

Ellsworth said he'll announce his decisions in an advertisement once he

Meanwhile, MacKenzie offered appreciation to customers. "Thank you, Humboldt County, for keeping us in business for 20-plus years," he said.

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would take the cash and run."

all in storage.

knows what he's going to do.

**SHARE THE SPIRIT** Every holiday season for the past 27 years, North Coast Co-op has collected donations at the register to help support the programs of the local food bank, Food for People. This year, the Share the Spirit fundraiser raised \$17,274 between the two stores, including the Co-op's matching donation of \$5,000. "Supporting our community, especially when it comes to hunger relief, is very important to us," said General Manager Melanie Bettenhausen. "Through Share the Spirit, we're able to channel our shoppers' goodwill towards community

members in need, and facilitate a sense of connection that strengthens our community."

The Share the Spirit fundraising effort started in 1989 by a Co-op cashier (and Union Dogtown columnist) Mara Segal, who still works at the Co-op. Segal placed gift bags in the registers with the words: "Your small change can make a big difference." This concept carried on throughout the years; customers are encouraged to round up their purchase amount at the register towards Share the Spirit, and give an additional amount if they so choose.



**BARRELS OF FUN Winemaker Wil Franklin.** 

## **HSU** offers winemaking

HUMBOLDT STATE

HUMBOLDT - A course on the fundamentals of winemaking in Humboldt County with award-winning winemaker and producer Wil Franklin kicks off the first in "From Vine to Table," a four-part, intensive wine educa-

The classes are being offered through Humboldt State's College of eLearning and Extended Education. According to Franklin, Winemaking 101, scheduled to run Saturday, Feb. 25 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Fieldbrook Winery, "explores three key themes. They are understanding the basic craft of winemaking at the scale of the home winemaker and small commercial producers; exploring the art of producing wines of balance and complexity, and gaining hands-on experience in a commercial winery."

Franklin will teach another From Vine to Table session, Viticulture 101, Saturday, May 20. That seminar will explore growing grapes in Humboldt County's unique and diverse "terroir." Topics include selecting grape variety, growing seasons, soil preparation, pest and mold management, along with a field trip to a vineyard for hands-on practice.

Two other From Vine to Table sessions will be offered this spring to complete the four-course series. They are Marketing Wine in Humboldt County and Beyond with Elizabeth Hans-McCrone and Wine Sensory Evaluation and Service with Pam Long.

Marketing Wine in Humboldt County and Beyond, scheduled for Saturday, March 25 at the Humboldt Bay Aquatic Center, will explore effective marketing practices in a one-day course that delves into creating a successful brand, building a loyal customer base, selling direct to consumer and branching out beyond the Redwood Curtain with regional craft beverages produced in Humboldt County. Hans-McCrone's class includes wine sampling and a field trip to a local winery.

Wine Sensory Evaluation and Service, scheduled for Saturday, April 29 at the Humboldt Bay Aquatic Center, is designed to develop a wine palate and increase participants' overall knowledge about wines of the world. The class will jumpstart and refine wine tasting evaluation skills and is especially relevant for hospitality industry managers and employees.

For registration and more information about this series, visit humboldt.edu/extended/winecertificate.





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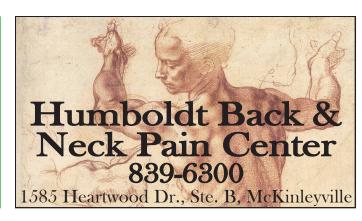


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# When America turned my Arcata family into Enemy Aliens

that will "live in infamy." For me, there are two other such days.

One is Feb. 2, 1942, when General John DeWitt persuaded President Franklin Delano Roosevelt to execute Executive Order 9066. This excluded all people of Japanese ancestry from sensitive areas near the Pacific Coast. Citizens included.

Also, it moved all persons of German or Italian citizenship from the same areas. Those of us who were not yet citizens were forced to move out of our homes and businesses.

In our area, it meant we could not live or work west of the Redwood Highway (now U.S. Highway 101), which at that time ran right through the center of Arcata and

Eureka. That was G Street in Arcata. Furthermore, we could not be out of our homes between the hours of 8 p.m. until 6 a.m.

We had a chicken ranch and we had to sell out all of our chickens and move out of our own home and find other places to live. Mr. and Mrs. Ettore Giuntini took my parents in and their daughter, Mrs. Eva Orlandi, took me in.

We had to register at the Post Office as Enemy Aliens and carry cards showing we were registered. We could not travel far from our homes. This changed our lives very drastically.

The Japanese were moved completely out of the area into concentration camps scattered around the United States. Finally, cooler heads prevailed and sometimes in the summer of 1942, the order was lifted for we Italians and Germans, allowing us to return to our own homes, but the rest of the restrictions stayed in place.

I had been a fixture about Arcata for so long that nearly all thought I was an American citizen. I used to go to the movies and even sat right next to the Chief of Police and no one bothered me.

But one certain neighbor took offense at my actions and informed the FBI. They came and arrested me for curfew violation. I had been calling on my girlfriend and staying out after 8 p.m. So I was arrested and booked into the County Jail as a Federal Prisoner on that other infamous date, Aug. 22, 1942.

There was no warrant issued or no other paperwork of any kind. The young agent who arrested me was very apologetic about having to do it. I spent nearly a week in jail and then was transported south to San Francisco by a constable.

There were two of us going down. The constable told us if we promised to behave he would not handcuff us, but if we misbehaved he would handcuff us right away. So we promised to be nice. We stopped in Willits for gas and a restroom break and also he let us get a soft drink. Then back in the car and down to the big city.

We were taken to FBI headquarters on Silver Avenue. There, no one knew what to do with us, so they put us in a broom closet and told to just sit on the floor and wait.

After a long time, a paddy wagon came and we were transported to Sharp Park in Pacifica. It had been an old camp of some sort that was fenced off and used as a detention camp.

First thing we saw were Japanese on the left of the camp with a huge high cyclone fence around them with army vehicles patrolling the area with machine guns mounted on the roofs. We were taken inside our section just across the road and assigned barracks and a bed.

Next morning, we were interviewed as to our vocations and assigned work areas. As a baker, I was sent to the camp bakery. There, I met a big German who greeted me and asked my name. When I told him he suddenly got angry and told me to get the fuck out of his bakery as he wouldn't work with any damn Wop. I told him to go to hell, as I wouldn't want to work with any damn Kraut. I went back to my barracks.

Next thing I knew, the next morning, I received a summons from the Camp Commandant to report to him right now. He was an Army captain who demanded to know why I was not in my assigned place working in the bakery. I told him what had happened and he ordered me to report back to the bakery and get to work. I naturally refused.

He told me to do as he ordered or else. I then changed by attitude on life completely. I had always been taught by my mother to be polite and to respect my elders, but this was more than I could stand.

From that moment on I became, as some

e all know Dec. 7, 1941 is a day would later say, an "unmitigated horse's ass." I asked this captain, "Just what are you going to do to me, throw me into a concentration camp?" His face got so red I thought he was going to have a stroke. He told me to get the hell out of his office and he would deal with me later.

Next thing I knew, I was assigned to the

laundry. I would be one of about half a dozen that took freshly ironed sheets and folded them. I tell you this was about the hardest job I ever had, joke, joke. We started in at 9 and at 10, someone would bring us hot coffee and fresh hot pastries from the bakery. At 11:30, we stopped for lunch. At 1, we were back and at 2, more coffee and pastries. What a rough life. At 3:30, we were done for the day.

One day, a guard came in and asked if anyone could iron a shirt with a military crease. No one answered, so I told him I could and he showed how to put in the proper crease and I done it for him. He tipped me a quarter and the next thing I knew, I had a large clientele of guards who came in with their uniforms for me to press. I had a good thing going on; I was actually making money. Having no place to spend it, I purchased War Bonds with it.



The Sichi family in the 2000s.

Finally, cooler heads again convinced FDR that it was not feasible for the country to try to lock up the millions of Italians we had running around the United States. It took too much manpower away from our Army and depleted its strength. So we were allowed to have all restrictions removed from our lives on Columbus Day in 1942.

This episode was one of the biggest mistakes the government ever made.

The Japanese people were treated very badly. The government confiscated all their property, even that of citizens. More than that, some of them had their sons volunteered for service in the Army, some against their parents' wishes. But they formed one of the most heavily decorated units in the history of the United States: the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. They fought in Italy and suffered 95 percent casualties.

When I was drafted and served my time in training, I was assigned to the camp bakery at Mess Hall 7 and I at times helped serve on the chow line and served the replacements who would go to this unit. Most of them were very young and many from Hawaii.

We talked, and I learned these Japanese American soldiers would only get six weeks of basic training, then be shipped overseas without the 10-day furlough to go home first that was given to other trainees.

This was in the late summer of 1944. D-Day had come and gone and fighting was hot and heavy.

The Japanese finally were awarded a small sum for all they were put through: \$20,000. It never even came close to paying for the property they they had confiscated.

Me, I never saw a cent and never expect to. But what gripes me is that whenever this subject comes up, most Americans deny even hearing about this time in our history.

Come on people, what do you think, we Italians are stupid? Without the Italian influence in this country, we would not be what we are today.

We were the largest group of immigrants to come to America and we were even signers of the Declaration of Independence. We sponsored the Lewis and Clark Expedition, among other things. Check your history.

Marino Sichi and his family moved to Arcata in 1927. He published this column in the Arcata Eye in April, 2004. After many years of service as Troop 9 Scoutmaster and with the American Legion Post 274, Marino passed away in 2011.

## A Civics review

This week, I was listening to a phone-in radio program and a woman from Florida was all worked up about how the courts could dare to overrule President (gulp) Trump who was trying to keep our countrv safe from immigrants. Hmm, I'll bet that she wasn't paying attention during her high school Civics class when the separation of powers in our government was being explained. We are not a monarchy. We are a democratic republic with checks and balances. For that matter, given Trump's vaunted lack of concentration, I'll bet that the lesson did not sink in for him either.

So time for a review: We have three branches of government each with its own mandate. The role of the judiciary, when appealed to, is to review the actions of the other two to make certain that they comport with our Constitution. The judiciary has no army or police to enforce its decisions, but over the last 200 years, we have come to accept this important role.

Not all presidents have agreed with this co-equal role. Thomas Jefferson was a critic and attacked Chief Justice Marshall but he lost that battle. During the Depression, FDR was unhappy with the Supreme Court and tried to "pack" it by adding more iustices more amenable to his policies. He also lost. Granted many of us have not been happy with some of our courts' decisions, but we respect the process and try to adjust.

Now back to the issue of taking extreme, paranoid actions to protect us from the supposed "bad guys." I'll bet that the lesson of our failure to accept Jewish refugees and our internment of thousands of Japanese Americans during WWII was lost on our President as well.

Only three years and eleven months left - unless he implodes first.

**Edward "Buzz" Webb McKinleyville** 

# A literary review Volker Ullrich's book, Hitler: Ascent

1889-1939, presents some of the key public experiences and attitudes of German society that allowed the rise to power of a person like Adolph Hitler. I have no interest in comparing Hitler and President Trump here, and the checks and balances of our governmental system strongly preclude a person like Hitler ever gaining that kind of control in the U.S. However, Ullrich's analysis of Germany noted that some key social attitudes in pre-WWII Germany and those found in other societies, including our own, often are not that different.

Despite a strong focus on democratic ideals in the U.S., I believe that tendencies toward populism, nationalism, marginalization and even fascism have been common in our society – almost from the beginning of our U.S. history. Native Americans, African-Americans, as well as immigrants such as the Irish, Italians, Jews, Latinos, Polish peoples, all have suffered. There has been an increased expression of these sentiments in our recent presidential campaign and during this new administration. In the U.S., we clearly have a long history of discriminatory attitudes, including expression of white superiority over (and fear of) other ethnic groups. In addition, many other groups including those based on gender identify, socioeconomic status, etc. – have suffered.

On reviewing our general society, white citizens appear to be disproportionately represented among those members who have their basic needs met and are comfortable in life. In past years, I have been concerned with this lack of equitability in our society and have worked to support the efforts of other groups such African-Americans and Latinos, as well as members of the LGBTQ community, religious minorities such as Muslims, the homeless, etc. to also reach a level of full acceptance and respect, and having their basic needs addressed. Those efforts have been, and continue to be, of great importance to me.

However, John Steinbeck's book, Grapes of Wrath, also reminds us that in the 1930s, large groups of poor, mostly white, farmers were displaced from their lands and forced to migrate to California. The blatant insensitivity and discrimination against these so-called "Okies" often was devastating to these families who were trying to regain their lives and dignity. In recent years, I believe that marginalization of many poor whites has been one of the (many) factors contributing to the election of President Trump. I recognize that such groups also need to be respected and have their needs addressed; until we stop marginalizing any groups and pay honest and respectful attention to everyone in society, we will continue to struggle in our goal of becoming a mature society. Truly, we all are in this together.

Richard G. Botzler McKinleyville



**NEWS ITEM:** McKinleyville voters are called on to fill a vacancy on the McKinleyville Community Services District by mail-in ballot, due March 14.



## **Hiring** | Conflict of interest accusations

**❖ FROM A3** 

Without defense attorney representation, the advisory panel lacked "fair balance," said David Nims of Eureka's Jannsen Malloy, LLP law firm. He questioned why the county would hire an "outside of the area" attorney when there are qualified local candidates.

Zach Curtis, an attorney with the Eureka-based Rain and Zepp law firm, worked as a county prosecutor from 2012 to 2016 and was a deputy public defender in Madera County before that. He suggested that having prosecution officials on a public defender hiring committee represents conflict of interest.

"I do not know how someone comes to the conclusion that having a panel of essentially law enforcement to pick their adversary is a good idea," Nims said. "The appearance, at the very least, is terrible."

He added, "I know that if I was still a prosecutor and was asked to be on such a panel, I would not do that - I would feel like there was a conflict of interest."

Supervisor Estelle Fennell was the only supervisor who responded to the public comment. "The bottom line is when we make a hiring decision for a department head, it rests with the supervisors," she said. "I would like to request that members of the legal profession honor that decision and give Mr. Marcus a chance to prove that he's a good defender and work with him."

Fennell said she could not go into more detail because the hiring was a closed session item, but she added, "I do want people to understand that it was the supervisors who made that decision."

#### **❖** MOBILE HOME PARKS

# Arcata pursues rent control

Kevin L. Hoover MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA - The Arcata City Council last week voted 3-1 to have staff develop an ordinance regulating rental costs in mobile home parks. The ordinance will be modeled after the county's Measure V, approved by voters in November. Measure V ties rent increases to inflation.

As with previous hearings on the matters, the Council Chamber was packed with mobile home park residents hold-



**David Loya** 

ing white balloons inscribed with 'SOS," which stands for "Save Our Seniors."

Community Development Director David Loya presented a revised mobile home affordability study, noting considerable public participation led by residents of the Lazy J mobile home park.

Multiple mobile home residents addressed the council, pleading for protection against rent hikes, though operators pleaded against regulation that could lead to unintended consequences.

## **Court** | Confusion reigns in the halls of justice

FROM A1

guilty to all charges in both cases against

Court insiders say the schedule breakdown is not an isolated occurrence; it stems from several factors. The wholescale reorganization of the courthouse calendar last year, in an attempt to reduce the case backlog – which District Attorney Maggie Fleming claims has markedly improved efficiency – sometimes results in scheduling the same lawyers in two, even three, courtrooms at once.

Compounding the disarray, some courtroom assignments are not in place until the last minute, scrambling the lawyers' timetables. Exasperation is prevalent on the second floor.

Bernthal's inability to appear in the Goldberg case forced the bailiffs to bring the prisoner down from the jail, then return him, then bring him down again.

Bernthal's absence, the sudden introduction of new evidence and the cue ball impact on the rest of the case schedule led the court clerk to exclaim in frustration, "This is ridiculous!"

Equally vexed as she watched hamstrung lawyers milling around the stalled courtroom, Judge Carter did not scruple to ask out loud, "Are we ready to do something?" She was alternately bemused and exasperated at the apparent amateurishness.

One insider said adding to the confusion is a chronic lack of consultation and coordination – a lack of teamwork in his words – between the D.A.'s side of the house and the Public Defender's side. He did not elaborate.

The protracted shortages of judges and courtrooms - two more are needed in each instance - also hamper the expeditious handling of cases.

## **Council** | Vacancy to be filled by appointment

❖ FROM A1

"We shouldn't use that kind of terminology," she said.

Council and staff chewed over possible procedures for making an appointment. A thorough application will be developed for applicants, with information posted on a city web page. The appointment will have

to take place within 60 days of Wheetley's March 1 departure, after which the matter would automatically go to the voters in November.

On a 3-1 vote, with Pitino dissenting, the council directed staff to draft a possible appointment procedure and start taking applications for the vacant position.







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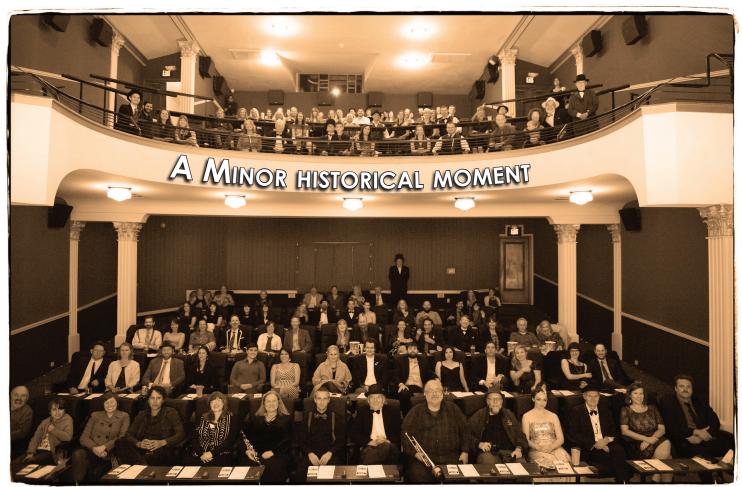
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# SCENE

February 22, 2017





HISTORY REPEATS It was last Sept. 16 that Arcata's historic Minor Theatre re-opened amid food, folks, fanfare and, of course, film. Owner Josh Neff, his partner Merrick McKinlay and attendees at the historic event re-enacted the original opening night photo, above, of Dec. 3, 1914. Said Neff, "I am proud and honored to bring back Arcata's community theatre with all the upgrades one would expect to see in a large metropolitan area while retaining all the historical charm of the iconic Minor Theatre.' The new Minor Theatre features small tables and tableside service. The Minor hosts the 19th Annual Latino Film Festival next week; see page B3. minortheatre.com Top Photo Courtesy Pettingill's Minor Theatre; LEFT PHOTO BY MARK MCKENNA | MINOR THEATRE

# **Together**

he odometer on our dear old Volvo wagon was still going, well past 250,000 miles. It was time for retirement. We settled on a newish Volkswagen SUV called a Tiguan. Curious about the word, which I'd never heard before, I Googled it and learned that it's made up, a merging of tiger and iguana thought up by some marketing department. (How this mammal/reptile mating happens I have no idea.)

Naming a band sometimes involves merging words for new names, like the local band **Timbata**, who, incidentally, have a show at the Arcata Playhouse Friday, Feb. 24.

What does "Timbata" mean? Bandmember Michael Stephenson explained, "The name is a combination of Timba and Batá."

At this point he deferred to Wikipedia. Timba is a Cuban music style based on "folkloric and popular sources even taking inspiration from non Afro-Cu-

ban musical genres such as rock, jazz, and funk." (I knew this from a story I wrote on Cuban music years ago, more on that in a minute.)

Batá is a type of drum, a double-headed thing shaped like an hourglass. "The percussion instrument is used primarily for religious

or semi-religious purposes for the native culture from the land of Yoruba, located in Nigeria, as well as by worshippers of Santería in Cuba, Puerto Rico, and in the United States," (again per Wikipedia).

In short, Timbata is all about the rhythm. The sextet is a collection of local rhythm masters with David

Peñalosa, Howie Kaufman, Eugene Novotney and Jonathan Kipp on various percussion instruments, Nick Moore on bass and Stephenson on guitar and keyboards. As the PR from the Playhouse notes, "Every band member is a drummer."

THE HUM \* B2



**Q&A** After the showing, the Asquatchalypse Now cast took questions from the stage. Above, Sylas and Michael Kaufmann, Emily Sinkhorn, Scott "Squatch" Herriot and Erin Kelly.

# 'Asquatchalypse Now' a tart, trippy trail tale

Kevin L. Hoover

MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA PLAYHOUSE- A confession: all things Bigfoot induce in me a coma-grade boredom. I know, Sasquatch is our very own corny local monster, lighten up. But it's also just a somewhat overachieving version of the many fleabitten regional legends nurtured by the rural chambers of commerce and gift shops of our land.

Matters cryptozoological are amusingly covered for me in the *Monster Talk* podcast, where the real dynamics driving these sorts of critters are fascinatingly unpacked. Only in skeptical venues like that has hairy, hoary Bigfoot ever held my interest.

Until Monday, Feb. 13, when I saw Asquatchalypse Now, a film by Scott "Squatch" Herriot about the Bigfoot Trail. Sponsored by the Bigfoot Trail Alliance, the Arcata Playhouse showing took a packed house on a hilarious and exhilarating journey through the Klamath Mountains.

The nonprofit alliance is guiding creation of the nascent trail, which starts in the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness, overlaps with 40 miles of the Pacific Crest Trail and ends near Redwood National Park near Crescent City.

According to the Bigfoot Trail Alliance's website, bfta. bigfoottrail.org, the trail was first proposed in 2009 by **ASQUATCHALYPSE NOW \$\psi\$** B3



## Can you solve the mystery of the missing Trump paintings?

Janine Volkmar

TRINIDAD – "Camel Rock According to ..." was one of the "most creative shows ever" according to Connie Butler, curator emerita of the Westhaven Center for the Arts.

Marvin Trump, painter and retired architect who died last year, painted 20 views of Camel Rock, each in the style of a different famous artist. Trump could see the well-known ocean rock formation from his studio near Moonstone Beach. The rock formation informed most of his work, often painted as a small detail in a painting with an otherwise unconnected subject.

In the 2003 exhibit at

Westhaven Center, Trump channeled such masters as Ma tisse, Cezanne, El Greco, Pollock and Picasso.

"One day I wondered how various artists in the past might have captured Camel Rock ..." he said in a 2003 interview in the McKinleyville Press.

Almost all of the paintings in the show sold, six to the same San Francisco collector.

Trump's daughter-in-law, Tami Trump, and Janet Groth, a student in the HSU Museum and Gallery Practices Program are working to recreate the exhibit. Many owners of the paintings have kindly agreed to lend their paintings to the show.

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LOST MASTERPIECES "Camel Rock according to Marsden Hartle," top and "Camel Rock according to Paul Klee."



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## **The Hum** | Rhythmic, melodic & harmonic

❖ FROM B1

Timbata plays Cuban music, but not exclusively. Of course, Cuba is a hot topic lately. (And I don't mean that store in the mall.) Between the end of the embargo and the death of Fidel, the island has been in the news a lot.

In 2001, I wrote an extended piece for a local paper titled "The Cuban Connection," a snapshot of the Humboldt scene at that time. Central was the Afro-Cuban band Kachimbo, formed in 1994 by David Peñalosa. Most of Timbata was in Kachimbo, including Stephenson, who was 16 when he

"Although I am the musical director and arrange almost all of the songs" for Timbata, he explained, "David is the founder and leader of the group [the one] who had the idea for the project and brought everyone together for it."

Peñalosa plays congas and handles other percussion along with Kaufman, another important figure in the Humboldt rhythm world who ran an annual summer program, "Explorations in Afro-Cuban Dance and Drum," for two decades bringing people from around the world to study here.

Recently retired, Howie worked with the Doctor, Eugene Novotney, teaching at HSU, where Eugene leads the Humboldt Calypso Band. (Michael, now 30-something, joined that band when he was 15.)

"Eugene is probably the closest thing we have to a front person [in Timbata] due to the fact that he plays most of the melodies on the steel pan," Stephenson noted, adding, "The music is very democratic, so every single member of the band takes solos, improvises, and will be the focus of the music at various times throughout the repertoire (which is common in Cuban music)."

There's much more to be said about the Cuban connection, but Timbata also draws on a vast whole musical diaspora, mixing in African guitar sounds, Brazilian samba, funk bass lines, and so on.

What made Michael devote his life to this music? "Well, we all play in other styles/bands as well," he said, "but I'd say most of us would probably agree that Timba has an ideal combination of intricate/ virtuosic rhythmic, melodic and harmonic structures that still remain catchy and danceable. So it's a wonderful music both from the audience's perspective and from the performer's perspective." As they said on American Bandstand, "It's got a good beat and you can dance to it." What more do vou want?

If you know the **Cribmeister** by now, you know it's out of character for him to say, "OMG!" but that was how he introduced the Thursday concert with Maracujá, "a wonderful duo from Seattle," who will fill the Crib "with the sounds of Latin music from Cuba to Argentina." Caitlin Belem and Terrence Rosnagle explore territory similar to Timbata, but with fewer drums, more guitar, a sax and more vocals. More details at relevantmusic.org/CribConcerts.

#### **Death** is fatal

Wednesday at the Miniplex (in Richards' Goat) it's **Weyes Blood** with **Fatal Jamz**. Natalie Mering is Weyes Blood. "Active in underground music since 2006, she's collaborated with Jackie-O Motherfucker and Ariel Pink, and released four records." The latest, Front Row Seat to Earth, is her third for the Mexican Summer label. She makes haunting music, kinda folky, but not folk by any means. She calls it "music for lovers."

She's working her way up the coast with the stop at the Goat right after a gig at SF's Swedish American Hall and just before hitting PDX to play Mississippi Studios, all with Fatal Jamz, fronted by Marion Belle from L.A., who sings about people like Nikki Sixx. If you don't know who that is, well, this is probably not for you.

At Humboldt Brews that Wednesday it's The Travelin' McCourvs (bluegrass legend Del McCoury's boys without their dad) on tour with the Jeff Austin Band (fronted by the mandolinist of Yonder Mountain String Band). Last fall, the two bands came together for The Grateful Ball Tour playing tunes from the ever-so-popular Grateful Dead songbook. People liked it. Why should they stop? As someone sang, "The music never stopped."

Along the same lines, Melvin Seals & JGB play Thursday at Mateel. You know who I'm talking about, right? (There are Dead people involved.) If not, forget it. This is probably not for you.

#### In the lounge

Friday at the Arcata Theatre Lounge, catch Con Brio, a neo-soul outfit "with spirit," fronted by the charismatic Ziek McCarter who is compared with everyone from Michael Jackson and James Brown to Sly Stone and D'Angelo. Originally from Texas, Ziek relocated to San Francisco, hooked up with a tight band, worked his way up to a residency at the Boom Boom



TIMBA Jonathan Kipp, David Peñalosa, Nick Moore, Eugene Novotney, Howie Kaufman and Michael Stephenson play the Playhouse this Friday. BOB DORAN | UNION

Room, then took it from there.

Sunday at the ATL, it's the return of Chicano Batman, a band from Los Angeles who played in the Depot last time they were in town. They're big on NPR's Alt.Latino (which is pretty much the polar opposite of alt. right, BTW), drawing on cumbia, Brazilian tropicalia, psychedelic jams and deep cut soul. They have a new disc, *Freedom Is* Free, coming out in March – maybe it will be on the merch table. You may have seen them on the Superbowl, where they turned Woody Guthrie's classic "This Land is Your Land" into an awesome immigrant's anthem in an ad for Johnnie Walker whiskey. BTW, their tour includes a couple of other acts, Sad Girl and 79.5, which proved un-Googleable. (Turns out there are a lot of sad girls out there.)

Red Carpet Refugee Sunday

Also on Sunday night over at Humboldt Brews, it's Maria Muldaur and Her Red Hot Bluesiana Band. You know how Google fills in your search terms based on some algorithm or other? When I typed Maria's name, then I got as far as Mu... and it suggested a search for Maria Muldaur's age. Well, if you're wondering, she's 73. She's up to 40 albums, with the latest, First Came Memphis Minnie, with an allstar band, dedicated to the legendary blues "w-o-m-a-n." Maria offers a mini-essay about Minnie, describing her as "tough, determined, talented, and courageous enough to defy and overcome all the racial, social, economic, and gender barriers that existed in her time, forging the life she envisioned for herself on nothing but her own terms!" Maria has always made her way on her own terms, I've been a fan of her music since the Jim Kweskin Jug Band days, through "Midnight at the Oasis" and beyond. Note: This is an early show at Humbrews, starts at 8 p.m.

Unless you plan on showing up late, that

puts Maria up against the Red Carpet Gala Oscar party at the Eureka Theater, where the well-heeled, well-dressed crowd will be dressed to the nines. (Starting at 5 p.m.) There's also a Logger Bar Oscar **Party** in Blue Lake, which, since it falls on a Sunday, includes the weekly potluck dinner. Take your pick and expect other parties for movie fans.

Same Sunday, it's another Comedy Comes Home benefit at the North Coast Rep, with proceeds going to the International Refugee Assistance Project. As usual, Sam Wingspan is the host/emcee with Nando Molina, Kim Hodges, Matt Redbeard, William Toblerone and Pat **Dylan** doing funny stuff. Needless to say, IRAP is working doubly hard right now.

They tell us, "All over the country, across political divides, leaders and organizers have been scrambling to figure out how to confront the new threats that challenge America's fundamental values and ideals – that we are an open, welcoming, and democratic society with deep respect for the rule of law.

"Together, we will continue utilizing every tool – through the courts, through civic action and protest, through our contacts with allies on both sides of the aisle, through the media, and through a self-organized volunteer network - to work tirelessly to deliver legal solutions for the world's most vulnerable refugees."

Stuck at some party that night? You can buy a ticket online at ncrt.net and they promise to get the money delivered for you, or you can go to refugeerights.org and find the "donate" button. While you're there check out more about what they're up to. Got a problem? "Know Your Rights -They can help. And you can help "عرف حقوقك them help. Help!

Visit madriverunion.com for more Hum.

**SCI-FI PINT & PIZZA NIGHT See** Eliminators (1986) and other psychotronic weirdness, trailers, short films and strange giveaways today, Feb. 22 at Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the main feature starts at 7:30 p.m. A mad scientist uses the body of a downed pilot to build a "Mandroid" for use as a guinea pig in a series of time-travel experiments. Admission is free with \$5 minimum purchase of food or beverage. Parental guidance is suggested.

**VOCAL HARMONY AT MOKKA** Belles of the Levee harmonize Friday, Feb. 24 at 8 p.m. at Café Mokka, 495 J St. in Arcata. There

is no cover for this all-ages show. (707) 822-2228

HSU Symphonic Band, conducted in memory of John F. Kennedy. by Paul Cummings, and the HSU Jazz Orchestra, led by Dan Aldag, hold their first concert of the year Saturday, Feb. 25 at 8 p.m. in HSU's Fulkerson Recital Hall. Featured guest artist and local celebrity Brad Curtis will provide narration for Aaron Copland's iconic 1942 Lincoln Portrait. His rich baritone voice will intone passages from Lincoln's speeches and letters, beginning with the words "Fellow citizens, we cannot escape history." In keeping with

the theme of Presidents' Day, the concert will also include Elegy for a Young American by Ron-PRESIDENTIAL CONCERT The ald LoPresti, which was written The second half of the concert will feature the Jazz Orchestra playing selections like Afro Blue by Cuban-born Mongo Santamaria, So Cold, So Sweet, So Fair, composed by Jazz Orchestra member Kyle McInnis, and the Duke Ellington composition Ad Lib On Nippon, transcribed and orchestrated by HSU Composition Professor Brian Post. Admission is \$8/\$5 for seniors and children/Free for HSU students with ID. (707) 826-3531, patrick@humboldt.edu

**MOKKA SWING** Skyline Swing plays Gypsy jazz Saturday, Feb. 25 at 8 p.m. at Café Mokka, 495 J St. in Arcata. There is no cover for this all-ages show. (707) 822-2228

## POLICE BRUTALITY EXAMINED

Violent encounters between citizens and law enforcement officers will be explored at Lifetree Café. at the corner of Union and 13th streets in Arcata, Sunday, Feb. 26 at 7 p.m. The program, titled "Police Brutality or Necessary Force?" features filmed interviews with a man who was severely beaten after a routine traffic stop and a police captain who used what was deemed appropriate force - but resulted in the death of an innocent man. Free coffee and snacks are provided. (707) 672-2919, bobdipert@hotmail.com

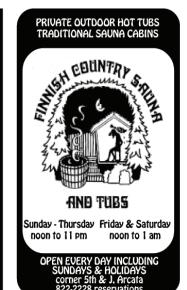
**LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL** Arcata Economic Development Corporation hosts its 11th annual Spotlight on Success with the Mardi Gras inspired theme "Let the Good Times Roll" Tuesday, Feb. **28** at the Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G. St. Celebrate the local businesses that create our fun and vibrant community, with business displays and local food tasting. The Redwood Dixie Gators help capture the Mardi Gras spirit on

this Fat Tuesday. aedc1.org

| M | VENUE  | WEDNESDAY, FEB. 22          | THURSDAY, FEB. 23                   | Friday, Feb. 24                             | Saturday, Feb. 25                        | Sunday, Feb. 26                    | Monday, Feb. 27                  | Tuesday, Feb. 28                 |
|---|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 4 | <b>Arcata Theatre Lounge</b><br>1036 G St., Arcata     | 6 p.m.<br>Sci Fi Night      |                                     | 8:30 p.m.<br>Con Brio                       | 6:30 p.m.<br>On the Spot                 | 8 p.m.<br>Chicano Batman           |                                  | 5 p.m. • Spotlight on Success    |
| 1 | Blue Lake Casino<br>777 Casino Way, Blue Lake          |                             | 9 p.m. • Karaoke<br>w/ KJ Leonard   | 9 p.m.<br>The Getdown                       | 9 p.m.<br>Miracle Show                   | 9 p.m. • Karaoke<br>w/ KJ Leonard  |                                  |                                  |
|   | Cher-Ae Heights Casino<br>27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad      | 8 p.m.<br>Free pool         |                                     | 9 p.m.<br>Headshine                         | 9 p.m. • Jimi Jeff &<br>The Gypsy Band   | 8 p.m. • Karaoke<br>with DJ Marv   | 8 p.m.<br>8-Ball Tourney         | 8 p.m. • Karaoke<br>with DJ Marv |
| 7 | <b>Humboldt Brews</b><br>856 10th St., Arcata          | 9 p.m.<br>Grateful Ball     | 9 p.m.<br>Billy Wayne Davis         | 9 p.m.<br>Peach Purple                      | 9 p.m. • Elevate!<br>Disco House Edition | 8 p.m.<br>Maria Muldauer           |                                  |                                  |
|   | <b>The Jam</b><br>915 H St., Arcata                    | 9 p.m.<br>Whomp             | 9 p.m. • Humboldt<br>Jam Collective | 9 p.m.<br>Under Pressure                    | 9:30 p.m. • Velvet<br>Touch w/Apiary     | 9:30 p.m.<br>Sundaze               |                                  | 9 p.m.<br>Comedy Night           |
| ä | <b>Logger Bar</b><br>510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake      |                             |                                     | 9 p.m.<br>Silver Hammer                     | 9 p.m. • Honky<br>Tonk Nightmare         | 6 p.m.<br>Potluck                  | all day<br>Free pool             | all day<br>Free ping pong        |
|   | Mad River Brewing Co.<br>101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake     | 6 p.m.<br>RLA & Paula Jones | 6 p.m.<br>Fred & Jr.                | 6 p.m. • Redwood<br>Ramblers                |  |                                    | 6 p.m.<br>Stand By Me            | 6 p.m.<br>Blue Lotus Jazz        |
|   | <b>Redwood Curtain Brewery</b> 550 South G St., Arcata |                             | 8 p.m.<br>Piet Dalmolen             |   | 8 p.m.<br>Noble                          | 2 p.m. • Happy<br>Tree Sip & Paint | 6 p.m. • Open<br>Bluegrass Jam   |                                  |
| U | Six Rivers Brewery 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville    |                             |                                     | 9 p.m. • Jackie Mey-<br>ers & Andrew Taeetz | 2 p.m. DJ JDub<br>8 p.m. Samba Na Chuva  | 8 p.m.<br>Trivia Night             | 8 p.m. • Karaoke<br>with DJ Marv |                                  |









**GET IN THE SHARK** College of the Redwoods' literary magazine for two decades has been known as Poets and Writers. However, there is a national organization called Poets and Writers, so to avoid confusion with that organization, the literary magazine has recently been renamed The Seven Gill Shark Review. The publication is currently accepting submissions of original poetry and fiction from community members, as well as staff, faculty and students. The submission period is now open and will be through noon on March 22. Submissions must be sent electronically. All submissions must be typed and may consist of up to four pieces of work. Short stories or essays are limited to four pages double-spaced, and you may submit up to two short stories or essays. Among those whose work is accepted, the first place poem will receive a \$25 gift certificate sponsored by Northtown Books of Arcata and the first place story will receive a \$25 gift certificate sponsored by Booklegger Books of Eureka. In addition, all writers whose work is accepted are eligible to be considered for the Hobson Award, a \$100 award given to the best entry in any genre that builds bridges between species, religions, cultures, ages or genders. These prizes are for both campus and community members, though not for faculty or staff at College of the Redwoods. All authors whose work is accepted will be invited to read at the college-wide celebration on the CR Eureka campus Friday, April 21 at 7 p.m. in Humanities 110. Entries should be emailed to david-holper@redwoods. edu; visit redwoods.edu/sevengillsharkreview for more details. For more information, call Professor of English David Holper at (707) 476-4370.

## **Trump** | To fund Houda

**❖ FROM B1** 

Trump painted over two of the canvases, recycling them into other artworks. The remaining works will be shown in May at the Ned Simmons Gallery of the Trinidad Coastal Land Trust.

So far, the women have found all but two of the 18 paintings. *Union* readers may be able to help. After all, solving mysteries is what newspaper readers excel at, as all crossword puzzle aficionados know.

If anyone knows the whereabouts of "Camel Rock according to Paul Klee" or "Camel Rock according to Marsden Hartley," a phone call or email to the trust would be much appreciated; contact (707) 677-2501 or info@TrinidadCoastal-LandTrust.org.

But don't get too excited about that painting on your wall just yet.

"Remember, Marvin included Camel Rock in so many paintings," Tami Trump cautioned with a smile. "All the paintings from the show have 'according to ...' inscribed on the back stretcher," she said.

The women are also arranging to have high-quality prints and cards made from the paintings. The sales of those will support the work of the land trust, especially for the Houda Point property.

The Trinidad Coastal Land Trust currently holds title to nine properties and 11 easements in the Trinidad area. With those properties come responsibilities including cleanup, trail maintenance, and public education. Marvin Trump was one of the founding members of the trust in 1978.

"While Marvin was still alive he was all for doing fundraisers for the land trust," Tami Trump said. "He wanted people to know that most of their favorite parts of the coast are kept up by volunteers."

"Houda Point, the closest property to Camel Rock, will be the focus of the fundraising," she added. "We'd like to put in a picnic table, maybe better signage, just keeping it open to the public."

(Tami Trump, it should be noted, is that woman you see mowing the grass at Houda, or, with other volunteers, picking up bag after bag of trash.)

In the meantime, Trump and Groth would love to hear even the smallest clue about the missing canvases. Maybe one of our readers admired a painting while at a dinner party or remembers being at the opening when a friend bought one of the canvases.

Groth has the whole semester to work on the project as she is an intern at the land trust. "May 5 is the opening and, coincidentally, the last day of classes," she said. Groth has a degree in Art History from UC Santa Barbara and worked in the food industry in Humboldt County, before enrolling in the Museum program. She's enjoying working with the land trust because "part of the internship process is trying to figure out professionally what I want to do."

"Janet has been great," Tami Trump said. "She's helped with all the contracts and paperwork for the show."

Please help these women solve the Mystery of the Missing Paintings.

TrinidadCostalLandTrust.org

# **Asquatchalypse Now** | Like being on the trail

south-to-north route through the Klamaths, one sporting 32 different species of conifer across six wilderness areas, one state park and one national park.

Herriot and various backpacking pals traverse the trail, which in places is no trail at all yet, and tests even experienced hikers' skills. As the hardy hikers bushwhack and bungle through the jungle, the film's pacing is almost hikelike – at times fast-moving and fun, then more of a mosey when something along the way merits careful examination.

Herriot, quick of wit and tart of tongue, frequently offers a perfect capping

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provides. His crisply edited vignettes convey rich moments on the trail, basically the kinds of highlights that might pop up in your hiking memories.

trail, one moment's fascination makes you even more curious about what's coming up around the bend. Imperceptibly, amid the laughs, splashes, gashes and bruises, the film delivers a solid grounding in the trail's emerging culture - its history, the environmental and ethical issues involved in its creation and the possibilities it offers adventurers.

And yes, the legend of Bigfoot is earnestly ser-

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quip to the many funny and viced with only the finest Michael Kauffmann as trying situations the trail grainy and ambiguous footage. But by that point in the film, even the most insufferable skeptic wants the hikers to succeed and the trail to be established. So if they need a mascot, And like being on the

well, why not? Join the Bigfoot Trail Alliance at the Friday, March 17 Pints for Nonprofits at Redwood Curtain Brewery and June 1 through 4 at the Boundary Trail Brush Out in the Red Buttes. Download Asquatchalypse Now

at squatchfilms.com. bfta.bigfoottrail.org





## Film fest focus on immigration

MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA - The 19th Annual International Latino Film Festival features three films in the therse "Immigration to the United States." The festival runs three evenings, Tuesday through Thurday, Feb. 28 to March 2 starting at 6 p.m. at the Minor Theatre, 1001 H St. in Arcata. This long-standing community event is a collaboration of College of the Redwoods Humanities Department and Humboldt State's World Languages and Cultures Department.

Students and the general public are invited to view three films: Who is Dayani Cristal?; Dream: An American Story and Made in L.A. All films will be shown in Spanish and English with English sub-

The special guest speaker for this year's festival is Cecilia Domeyko, president of the Mariposa Cultural Foundation. Each evening, Domeyko will introduce the films and provide insight into the content and key social issues portrayed in the films. Following the screening, CR and HSU professors will share their impressions of the films, and together with Domeyko, will engage the audience in a panel discussion in English. For academic credit, enrolled students will write an additional paper.

Domeyko began her career in journalism in Chile, her country of origin, as a writer for Hoy, a magazine opposed to the dictatorship of Augusto Pinochet. On emigrating to the U.S. she became the Washington correspondent for Hoy and Radio Cooperativa, as well as an on-camera reporter for Univision-TV, covering the White House for the national news hour. In the last 20 years she has worked as a filmmaker, scriptwriter and television director and producer.

Her award-winning independent documentaries have focused on social issues, including human rights, and women's rights. Her documentary, Cuba Mia, the story of an all-woman orchestra, aired nationally on PBS, on ABC-Australia and in 90 countries worldwide. Her film, Code Name: Butterflies, the story of three freedom fighters from the Dominican Republic, was a recipient of the Cine Latino Award at the DC Independent Documentary Festival. Beginning in the late 90s she wrote, produced and directed "La Familia Unida" a campaign with 52 fiction shorts focused on discrimination, racism, gang and drug violence, domestic violence and other social issues which immigrants face in the U.S. Her novel Sacrificio en la frontera (Sacrifice on the Border) based on years of research among Latino immigrant families, will be published later this year.

Admission to the festival is free to students enrolled in certain college courses. Seating is limited and a small number of tickets will be available to community members. To inquire about receiving a ticket, email Kristy Carlsen at kristy-carlsen@ redwoods.edu or call (707) 476-4316.

For more information on this event, call the Humboldt State World Languages and

#### 19TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL LATINO FILM FESTIVAL

Tuesday, Feb. 28 **'WHO IS DAYANI CRISTAL?'** (Marc Silver, 2013)

Deep in the sun-blistered Sonora desert, Arizona Border Police discover a decomposing male body. Lifting a tattered T-shirt, they expose a tattoo that reads "Dayani Cristal." Who is this man? What brought him here? How did he die? And who, or what, is Dayani Cristal? Following a team from the Pima County Morgue, director Marc Silver seeks to answer these questions and give this anonymous man an identity. As the investigation unfolds, Mexican actor and activist Gael Garcia Bernal retraces the man's steps along the migrant trail in Central America. Who Is Dayani Cristal? shows how one life becomes testimony to the tragic results of the U.S. war on immigration.

\* Moderator: Elanna Erhardt, CR librarian

Panelists: Cecilia Domeyko; Ryder Dschida, CR professor of History; Lilianet Brintrup, HSU professor of Spanish

#### Wednesday, March 1 **DREAM: AN AMERICAN STORY** (Aldo Bello, 2015)

Set in today's heated immigration debate and polarized political climate, the film examines the United States' dysfunctional immigration system through the personal stories of individuals struggling under the constant threat of deportation, the rise of the national student and youth activist movement advocating for passage of the DREAM Act, and the impact of immigration policy on the nation.

\* Moderator: Shemya Vaughn, CR professor of Counselina

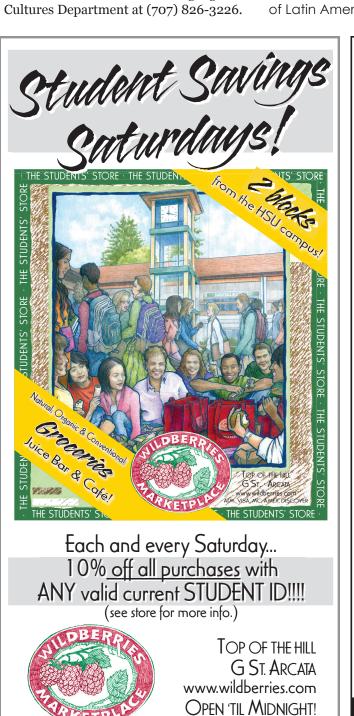
\* Panelists: Cecilia Domeyko; Renee Saucedo, CR director of Student Equity and Success; Fernando Paz, HSU interim director of Latinx Center for Academic Excellence.

#### Thursday, March 2 MADE IN L.A. (Almudena Carracedo, 2007)

An Emmy award-winning feature documentary that follows the remarkable story of three Latina immigrants working in Los Angeles garment sweatshops as they embark on a three-year odyssey to win basic labor protections from trendy clothing retailer Forever 21. In intimate observational style, Made in L.A. reveals the impact of the struggle on each woman's life as they are gradually transformed by the experience. Compelling, humorous, deeply human, Made in L.A. is a story about immigration, the power of unity, and the courage it takes to find your voice.

\* Moderator: Kyle Beattie, CR professor of English as a Second Language

\* Panelists: Cecilia Domeyko; Ryan Emenaker, CR professor of Political Science; Suzanne Pasztor, HSU professor of Latin American History





#### SHOULD YOU READ **EVERY WORD?**

Buying a house involves a lot of paperwork. There can be several pages to the contract itself, plus the various addendum and contingencies. If you apply for a loan, there is another stack of documents at the closing table with more legal language. Although your Realtor reviews the transaction, it is extremely important that you understand

the papers you are signing. If a dispute arises, the outcome will be governed by how the contracts actually read, not what you thought your Realtor told you when you signed them. To avoid confusion, it is a good idea to pick up copies of the purchase agreements and closing papers ahead of time. This will allow you to read them at your leisure. without the pressure of several people waiting for you to read everything at the closing. Don't hesitate to ask questions if you don't understand something or if the language is unclear or ambiguous.

For professional advice on all aspects of buying or selling real estate, call Joanie Frederick. Broker, Azalea Realty, (707) 362-0144, or check out our website at www.azalearealtv.com

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In the long run, we shape our lives, and we shape ourselves. The process never ends until we die. And the choices we make are ultimately our own responsibility. – Eleanor Roosevelt

so and Olive started life with a splash, they were to be tossed in a river but that decision

luckily it was avoided and better options were sought, we are so happy to help them give life one more shot. That shot won't be wasted of that we are certain, they already brighten up rooms like sunlight escaping a

they will be persons with families rather than just a statistic, reminding others around them to al-

ways stay optimistic.

Companion Animal Foundation recently held a spay neuter/clinic in Hoopa that fixed nearly 80 animals, and we happened to bring back two puppies with us! Olive and Oso are approximately 9 weeks old and of unknown breed. Their seven rescued brothers and sisters are at The Sequoia Humane Society.



Both pups are altered and up for adoption. If you are interested in adopting these puppies (or are many other ones!), please give us a call at (707) 826-7387 or visit our thrift store and animal program center at 88 Sunny Brae Center in Arcata. You can also email cafdirector@gmail. com, visit cafanimals.org or check out CAF on Facebook for more information on our animals and services.

**DHARMA TALKS** The Arcata Zen Group invites the public to free Dharma talks titled "Radical Meetings" by Soto Zen Priest Eugene Bush Sunday, Feb. 26 and "Mahapajapati's Open-Hearted Devotion" Sunday, March 5. Both talks start at 9:20 a.m. at the Trillium Dance Studio, 855 Eighth St., Arcata (next to the Post Office). Meditation begins at 8 a.m. (707) 826-1701, arcatazengroup.org

## **CROSSWORD**

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Touches

Winter pear

Hip portions

Wine variety

burial place

hour or so

Type of arch

Head covering

Farmland units

Duck's partner

Hollow cylinders

Star-crossed lover

Musical programs

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Praying figure

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### **ACROSS**

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Bradley and Koch

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The weekly crossword is **KINETIC KOFFEE** brought to you by ganic, fresh, local and available at Eureka Natural Foods, Murphy's Markets, the North Coast Co-op and Wildberries!

## **Rising Stars** enriches education

HUMBOLDT COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

HUMBOLDT STATE In partnership with Humboldt State University and the GATE Network, the Humboldt County Office of Education's Rising Stars Foundation held the 36th annual GATE Academy Friday, Jan. 13.

More than 700 giftfourththrough eighth-graders representing schools from Crescent City to Redway and east to Orleans participated in one or two enrichment classes from a selection of 60 different sessions taught by community experts in various fields.

**Topics** for fourththrough sixth-graders ranged from "Little Bits Maker Challenge" to "Native American Practices" to "The Art of Flower Arranging." Students in the seventh and eighth grades enjoyed such varied topics as "Getting Artsy with Algebra" to "DNA of a Strawberry" to "Hip-Hop: The Art of Rhyme."



FUN WITH GRAVITY Students enjoy a science-themed activity at the 36th annual **GATE Academy.** PHOTO COURTESY HUMBOLDT COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

attendees enjoyed a performance by Southern Humboldt's Madd Jazz chorus. Parents of GATE students had the opportunity to attend a presentation by California Association of the Gifted representative Dr. Barbara Branch, who traveled from the Sacramento area to give a presentation on the subject of "Motivation - Missing in Action."

can be found at vimeo. com/199399201.

GATE has long been a program throughout the state designed to enrich the education of those students who learn rapidly, are curious and have a retention rate that surpasses their peers.

The Rising Stars Foundation is a nonprofit program established to

In addition to classes, A video of the presentation promote and recognize excellence through 10 countywide events. Ongoing community donations of any amount are appreciated, and 100 percent of every tax-deductible dollar donated directly benefits local students. For more information, visit humboldtrisingstars.org or contact Managing Director Colleen Toste at (707) 445-7164 or ctoste@hcoe.org.

# **Difficulty Rating: Easy**

Q: What's the most fun you can have making your community a better place to be?

A: The Twelfth Annual Great Humboldt Trivia Challenge!

#### HUMBOLDT LITERACY PROJECT

HUMBOLDT - That's right, dear Triviaheads, Humboldt Literacy Project's main annual fundraiser, the Great Humboldt Trivia Challenge, will be Sunday, April 23 at Cher-Ae Heights Casino.

Now is the perfect time to register your team of three to compete in three rounds of 10 questions each. If you don't know the correct answers, try submitting a funny one to crack up our specially designated Humor Judge for special prizes! Players and audience alike will enjoy a delicious dinner buffet, a no-host bar, a world-class silent auction brimming with local art and goods, and a literary-themed costume contest with prizes.

Your participation in the great Humboldt Trivia Challenge is much more than a great time. You are also spreading the word and helping raise money for Humboldt's one and only place for free, one-on-one, confidential English language tutoring for adults.

Triviaheads, get in touch soon so we can answer your questions, hear your input and help get your team ready for another terrific game. For more information, check out humlit.org/trivia-challenge or call (707) 445-3655.



PRESBYTERIANS PEDALED FOR PEOPLE'S PROTEIN Rev. Deborah Hubbard of Grace Good Shepherd Church in McKinleyville presents a \$7,000 check to Ann Holcomb, Executive Director of Food for People. The funds were raised through a Pedal for Protein event sponsored by the Presbytery of the Redwoods, which granted money to food banks throughout northern California. PHOTO COURTESY DEBORAH HUBBARD

# What has two heads, three eyes and seven legs?

hat has two heads, three eyes and seven legs? That would be shelter dogs Nora and Harmony, out for a stroll together!

Despite the absence of an eye on one, and a leg on the other, they are well and happy dogs. They each arrived at the shelter with old injuries that had gone untreated for too long and were not able to be corrected. Even though it seems harsh to remove an eye or a leg, the dogs were

far more comfortable after their surgeries. These two were



administered by Friends for Life Animal Rescue and funded by donations and the shelter's holiday open house.

Harmony is an 8-year-old mixed breed female. She is a sweet older dog who is housebroken, easy to walk and has a playful side too. Harmony has been good with other dogs and patient with the puppies and young dogs that are still



learning their manners. She has also been a very good sport about the eye surgery and volunteers report that she likes to play ball, as long as it is thrown from her good side so that she can see it!

Harmony sometimes likes to share in the walk by carrying her own leash, but she stops if the walker doesn't want her to do that. She is a gentle dog who would love to have a family who would appreciate her and not let her down like her last people did. She may not be the pretti-

est dog in the shelter, but she will make someone a loyal friend and companion. She has been at the shelter since

Nora is a petite Pittie girl of about 3 years old. She came to the shelter on New Year's Eve. One of her back legs had been broken and left untreated and was causing her quite a bit of difficulty in getting around. Now that she is a triped, she gets around just fine!

Nora spent much of her recovery time in the area reserved for the smallest dogs. She is very comfortable with little dogs and is always very gentle with them. She is a little more cautious around bigger dogs, possibly due to being a little vulnerable on three legs. She is friendly once

found on *petharbor.com*, where staff members have been

updating the adoptable animals' photos recently. The new

she sees they are not going to take advantage of her condition.

Nora loves attention from people and was happy to dress up and pose for her recent photo session. She would love to find a home where she can be appreciated and treated like the princess she believes herself to be!

Nora and Harmony are both spayed.

photos are much nicer!

Nora They are also microchipped and current on their vaccinations. They are both adoptable through the Humboldt County Animal Shelter at 980 Lycoming Ave. in McKinleyville. More information is available at (707) 840-9132. The most current listings of available dogs and cats can be

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#### **❖** FUNDRAISERS

# Elegant dinners to benefit kids

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HUMBOLDT - Humboldters having recovered from the gastronomic excesses of the holiday season are invited to further indulge their palates with a pair of elegant dinners, all to benefit children.

#### **Elegant French Dinner**

Northcoast Preparatory and Performing Arts Academy holds its 15th annual Elegant French Dinner Saturday, Feb. 25, at the Sequoia Conference Center, 901 Myrtle Ave., Eureka.

The evening begins at 5:30 p.m. with no-host bar and hors d'oeuvres, followed by dinner and dessert at 6:30. Brief announcements and entertainment will follow. There will be both Dutch and silent auctions running throughout the evening.

Tickets are \$50 and are available through Wildberries Marketplace or brownpapertickets.com. This event is the school's largest fundraiser to support student scholarships for international travel. **Keys to the Future** 

The 16th Annual CASA Big Night Dinner & Auction - Keys to the Future is coming up Saturday, March 4, also at the Sequoia Conference Center. This elegant

night out supports advocacy for local children in foster care.

The fun begins at 5 p.m. with hors d'oeu-

vres and cocktails while guests explore the silent auction with gift certificates, jewelry, trips, wine and more.

Then, attendees will savor a delicious served dinner by Uniquely Yours Catering, followed by a live auction of getaways, yet more gourmet dinners and local art. To see a sampling of auction items, visit humboldtcasa.org.

If you can't attend the event but would like to place a bid on an item, you can do so by submitting a proxy bid through the CASA website or by calling CASA. For more information, contact Development Director Chelsea Brown at (707) 443-3197 or chelsea@humboldtcasa.org.

Tickets are \$75 and can be purchased by contacting CASA or mailing payment to 2356 Myrtle Ave., Eureka, CA 95501. Sponsorship opportunities are also available. Funds raised at this event support Humboldt CASA's work to advocate for children in foster care and give them support and stability during a difficult time in their lives.

"CASA believes that children are the keys to our future and your generosity will make a huge difference in giving vulnerable children a chance to heal and become thriving members of our community," the orignization states in a press release.

# Ehresman new land trust director

NORTHCOAST REGIONAL LAND TRUST

ARCATA - The Northcoast Regional Land Trust is pleased to announce the hiring of Dan Ehresman as its new executive director.

"We are delighted that Dan is taking this leadership role at the Land Trust," said Board President Greg Blomstrom. "With past experience as an executive director at a local conservation nonprofit, and his current employment with our organization over the last year as a project manager, we are confident that he is the right fit. We know that Dan will represent and implement the Land Trust's mission of conserving the economic viability of working landscapes, while preserving and protecting the natural, educational, scenic and historic values we enjoy here on the North Coast."

Ehresman brings nearly 20 years of experience in the conservation sector. Prior to joining the trust's staff in January 2016, Ehresman served as executive director of the Northcoast Environmental Center. Throughout his career, he has designed and managed a wide range of conservation projects, secured substantial funding to advance conservation priorities on the North Coast, and played a key role in across-the- aisle meetings on land and water policy. He has a strong background of effectively building relationships with landowners, agency representatives, and



#### Dan Ehresman

funders to create tangible solutions to complete important conservation projects.

"I am excited to take on this new role in an organization that plays such an important part in conserving our region's working lands and restoring vital habitats" said Ehresman. "I feel very fortunate to continue working with an amazing team, outstanding land stewards and our funding partners towards completion of on-the-ground projects that will benefit generations to come." Ehresman will begin March 1, with a month overlap with the trust's current executive director for training and transition of leadership.

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MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519 This business is conducted by: An Individual S/SARA A. ALTO.

BROKER/OWNER This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on JAN. 26, 2017 KELLY E SANDERS LH DEPUTY CLERK

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** 

NAME STATEMENT 17-00067 The following person(s) is

(are) doing business as: CLAM BEACH REALTY 4611 CENTRAL AVE MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519 FORTUNE REAL **ESTATE ENTERPRISE** 

2669985 22528 INSPIRATION PT. CANYON LAKE, CA 92587 This business is conducted by: A Corporation S/FRANCO PEPE.

BROKER-OFFICER This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on JAN, 30, 2017 KELLY E SANDERS **GW** DEPUTY CLERK

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT 17-00079

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: FRESH STROKE 1805 ZEHNDNER AVE. ARCATA, CA 95521 SANDEE G. MANUEL-VAN TASSEL

1805 ZEHNDNER AVE. ARCATA, CA 95521 NATHANIEL B. VAN TASSEL 1805 ZEHNDNER AVE. ARCATA, CA 95521

This business is conducted by: A Married Couple S/SANDEE MANUEL-VAN TASSEL SANDEE

MANUEL-VAN TASSEL This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on FEB. 3, 2017 KELLY E SANDERS **KL** DEPUTY CLERK

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT

17-00094 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 893 H ST.

**CARAVAN OF DREAMS** ARCATA, CA 95521 NANCY S. ANDERSON 1309 TOTH RD.

SHELTER COVE, CA 95589 This business is conducted by: An Individual S/NANCY S

ANDERSON, OWNER This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on FEB. 10, 2017 KELLY E SANDERS **GW** DEPUTY CLERK

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17-00073

(are) doing business as: WOODLUM COTTAGE INDUSTRIES

**BRIDGEVILLE. CA 95526** ABNER J. ROY 2500 BURR VALLEY RD. **BRIDGEVILLE, CA 95526** This business is conduct-

OWNER This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on FEB. 02, 2017 KELLY E SANDERS

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME ROSE MARIE LYNN FOREMAN-MILLER SUPERIOR COURT OF **CALIFORNIA COUNTY** 

CASE NO. CV170046 PERSONS:

MILLER

NAME STATEMENT 17-00102 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MADE IN HUMBOLDT

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ed by: An Individual S/ABNER J. ROY.

**SC** DEPUTY CLERK

TO ALL INTERESTED

1. Petitioner ROSF MARIF LYNN FOREMAN-MILLER has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: MARIF LYNN FORE-MAN-MILLER to Proposed

Present name: ROSE name ROSE MARIE LYNN

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is 2500 BURR VALLEY RD.

OF HUMBOLDT

2. THE COURT ORDERS

that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at

the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Date: March 17, 2017

Time: 1:45 p.m. Dept.: 4 3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River

Union. Date: JAN 23, 2017 DALE A. REINHOLTSEN Judge of the Superior Court

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE** OF NAME SUZANNE ELAINE CAYTON

SUPERIOR COURT OF **CALIFORNIA COUNTY** OF HUMBOLDT CASE NO. CV170063 TO ALL INTERESTED

PERSONS: 1. Petitioner SUZANNE ELAINE CAYTON has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: SUZANNE ELAINE CAYTON to Proposed name CAYTON SUZANNE WILEY.

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least

two court days before the

matter is scheduled to be

heard and must appear at

the hearing to show cause

why the petition should not

be granted. If no written

objection is timely filed,

the court may grant the

petition without a hearing.

3. A copy of this *Order to* Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.

Date: March 17, 2017

Time: 1:45 p.m.

Date: JAN 30, 2017 DALE A. REINHOLTSEN Judge of the Superior Court

ORDER TO SHOW **CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME** TAMMY MORGAN SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT **CASE NO. CV170083** 

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner MORGAN has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: WINSTON ALBAUGH to WINSTON MORGAN.

Proposed name REEF 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written

objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Date: March 24, 2017 Time: 1:45 p.m. Dept.: 4 3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week

for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union. Date: FEB 03, 2017 DALE A. REINHOLTSEN

ORDER TO SHOW **CAUSE FOR CHANGE** OF NAME ROBERT DAVID UPCHURCH SUPERIOR COURT OF

Judge of the Superior Court

**CALIFORNIA COUNTY** OF HUMBOLDT CASE NO. CV170076 TO ALL INTERESTED

PFRSONS: Petitioner ROBERT DAVID UPCHURCH has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: ROBERT UPCHURCH to DAVID Proposed name DAVID DEANE HARTWELL

2 THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed,

the court may grant the netition without a hearing. Date: March 15, 2017 Time: 1:45 p.m.

Dept.: 4 3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.

Date: FFB 03 2017 DALE A. REINHOLTSEN Judge of the Superior Court 2/15, 2/22, 3/1, 3/8

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF KERRY ANN DRAEGER, AKA KERRY A. DRAEGER

CASE NO.: PR170031 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: KER-RY ANN DRAEGER, AKA KERRY A. DRAEGER. A Petition for Probate

has been filed by: BRIAN P. DRAEGER in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT. The Petition for Probate requests that: BRIAN P. DRAEGER be appointed

the decedent The petition requests authority to administer the

as personal representative

to administer the estate of

estate under the Independent Administration of

Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to

good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this

the petition and shows

court as follows: Date: March 9, 2017 Time: 2:00 PM Dept.: 4 Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825

Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in

person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the

California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the

file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petittion or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the Attorney for the petitioner: DUSTIN E. OWENS 310 THIRD STREET,

**EUREKA**, CA 95501

(707) 441-1195

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARY LORRAINE **SCHMEDDING** 

CASE NO.: PR170040 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: MARY LORRAINE SCHMED-

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: ALIA ALSALTI in the Superior Court of California, County

of HUMBOLDT. The Petition for Probate requests that: ALIA ALSALTI be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests

authority to administer the

estate under the Inde-

pendent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the au-

thority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: March 23, 2017 Time: 2:00 PM Dept.: 4

Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, If you object to the

granting of the petition,

you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must

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within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal nicipal Code at Title VIII, representative, as defined Chapter 4. in section 58(b) of the

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creditor. You may want

to consult with an attor-

ney knowledgeable in

California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petittion or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Re-

quest for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for the petitioner: JASON A. EADS STOKES, HAMER,, KIRK & EADS, LLP 381 BAYSIDE ROAD, SUITE A

CITY OF ARCATA **LEGAL NOTICE ADOPTION OF** 

**ORDINANCE NO. 1484** 

707-822-1771 2/22, 3/1, 3/8

ARCATA, CA 95521

I hereby certify that at a regular meeting held on February 1, 2017, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1484, summarized below, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata Amending the Arcata Land Use Code Pertaining to Chapter 9.60-The Flood Hazard Mitigation Standards, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. Ordinance No. 1484 was passed and adopted at a regular City Council meeting held on February 15, 2017, by the following vote: AYES: Ornelas, Pereira, Pitino, Winkler, NOES: None. ABSENT: Wheetley. AB-

STENTIONS: None. Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata Summary of

Ordinance No. 1484 This ordinance removes from the Arcata Land Use Code, Section 9.60-Flood Hazard Mitigation Standards. Arcata's Flood

Hazard Mitigation Standards can currently be found in the Arcata Mu-

The full text of Ordinance No. 1484 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata, California, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The ordinance will take effect on March 17, 2017, BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCATA Dated: Feb-

ruary 15, 2017. Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata 2/22

CITY OF ARCATA **LEGAL NOTICE** ADOPTION OF

**ORDINANCE NO. 1485** I hereby certify that at a regular meeting held on February 1, 2017, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1485, summarized below, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata Amending Arcata Municipal Code Title IX-Land Use Code, Section 9.12.020, Zoning Map, to Prezone 1705 Buttermilk Lane, Assessor's Parcel No. 500-131- 006 as Agriculture Residential Upon Annexation, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. Ordinance No. 1485 was passed and adopted at a regular City Council meeting held on February 15, 2017, by the following vote: AYES: Ornelas, Pereira, Pitino, NOES: None. ABSENT: Wheetley. AB-STENTIONS: None.

Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata Summary of Ordinance No. 1485

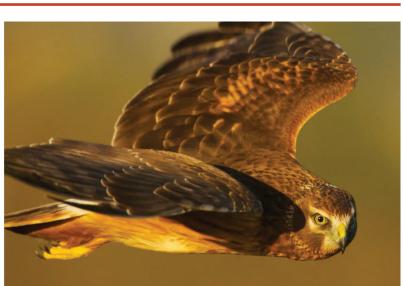
This ordinance prezones the parcel at 1705 Buttermilk Lane as Agriculture Residential upon annexation of the parcel into the City of Arcata.

The full text of Ordinance No. 1485 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata, California, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The ordinance will take effect March 17, 2017. BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCATA. Dated: February 15, 2017.

Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata 2/22



WETLAND WILDLIFE OF THE REDWOOD **COAST** Photographer Alan Peterson exhibits "Wetland Wildlife of the Redwood Coast," including a Great Egret enjoying a meal, left, and a female Northern Harrier in flight, right, during March and April at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center, 569 South G St. "Many of the animals on display in this show are ones that I've come to know on an individual basis while observing them over several weeks to learn their daily activity cycles and favorite feeding spots," said Peterson. The center is open Tuesday through Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Monday between 1 and 5 p.m. (707) 826-2359



## Coalition to prohibit English ivy sales

Environmental Protection **Information Center** 

ARCATA —A coalition of conservation organizations, businesses and government entities has petitioned the California Department of Food and Agriculture to designate English ivy as a noxious weed and to prohibit its sale in California.

While the government currently spends thousands of dollars annually on its removal, ivy is currently being sold by nurseries, frustrating conservation efforts.

"Ivy is a scourge to North Coast coastal forests," said Tom Wheeler, executive director of the Environmental Protection Information Center (EPIC). "The sale of ivy is prohibited in Oregon and Washington; it's time that California do the same."

English ivy is a persistent problem for California's forests and native plant communities. Originally brought by European

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settlers for use as an ornamental plant, English ivy has aggressively spread to public lands.

On the ground, ivy outcompetes natural plants, such as salal and huckleberries. When it comes in contact with tree trunks, it climbs high into the trees, enveloping the trunks and branches along the way. The weight of the ivy can cause trees to fall over and the added leaf surface creates more wind resistance. making trees susceptible to blow over during high wind events.

As ivy reaches sunlight in the tops of trees, it blooms and produces copious amounts of berries containing seeds that help contribute to its expansion, at the expense of native plants and wildlife.

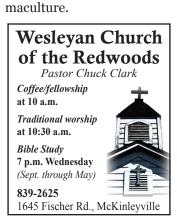
The California Department of Fish and Wildlife includes ivy on its "Don't Plant Me!" list of plants.

"The first step in fighting against an invasive plant is to not make the situation worse. Prohibiting the sale of ivy is a common sense measure to protect California's unique places," said Wheeler.



The petition has its genesis with the efforts of the Humboldt No Ivy League, a group of volunteers who dedicate their Friday mornings (and some Saturday mornings) to hand-pulling ivy from local state parks in Humboldt County. The group strongly advocates for more state funding for control of English ivy and other highly invasive plants, and for restoration programs throughout state parks and other public lands in California. Based on the League's

work and advocacy, a large and diverse coalition was formed to support prohibiting the sale of ivy. The coalition includes EPIC; Redwood National and State Parks; the Bureau of Land Management, Arcata Field Office; Humboldt Redwood Co.; Green Diamond Resource Co.; the Center for Biological Diversity; Save the Redwoods League; Humboldt No Ivy League; Northcoast Environmental Center; Sierra Club Redwood Chapter, North Group; North Coast Chapter, California Native Plant Society; Trinidad Coastal Land Trust, Siskiyou Land Conservancy: Mattole Restoration Council; Mid Klamath Watershed Council; Friends of the Arcata Marsh and High Tide Per-





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**CITIZEN SCIENCE** The HSU Natural History Museum, 1242 G St., Arcata, hosts a lecture **Thursday**, **Feb. 23** at 7 p.m. about a citizen science project monitoring for the chytrid fungus in local amphibian populations. Retired wildlife professor Richard Botzler will share some of the outcomes of this three-year project working with local school kids and how they assessed the health of some of our local frog populations. Studies were performed in Redwood National and State Parks and The Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge. Donations are appreciated. (707)-826-4479, humboldt.edu/natmus

BIRD THE MARSH Redwood Region Audubon Society sponsors a free public field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary Saturday, Feb. 25. Bring your binoculars and have a great morning birding! Meet leader Christine Keil in the parking lot at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata at 8:30 a.m., rain or shine. Trip ends around 11 a.m.

**TRAIL WORKDAY** The City of Arcata's Environmental Services Department and the Humboldt Trails Council's Volunteer Trail Stewards invite you to help reroute a section of Trail No.4 in the Arcata Community Forest Saturday, Feb. 25 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Volunteers meet at 9 a.m. at the small parking lot at the Fickle Hill Road forest entrance next to the Arcata Community Forest sign. Be sure to wear a long sleeve shirt, work pants and boots and bring rain gear and water. Gloves, tools, snacks and beverages will be provided. (707) 825-2163, email eservices@ cityofarcata.org

**LUPINE BASH** Join Friends of the Dunes and the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge for the 39th Annual Lupine Bash Saturday, Feb. 25 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Be a part of this annual tradition of removing invasive yellow bush lupines from the Lanphere Dunes before they get the chance to produce more seed. Morning refreshments will be provided; bring your own mug for coffee, tea and juice. Meet at Pacific Union School, 3001 Janes Rd. in Arcata, to carpool to this protected site. (707) 444-1397, info@friendsofthedunes.org

TEMPERATE WOODLAND GARDEN TOUR Humboldt Botanical Gardens invites you to learn about the Moss Family Temperate Woodland Garden at a presentation and tour by curators Tim and June Walsh Saturday, Feb. 25 from 10 a.m. to noon. Members receive free admission; nonmembers pay the Garden Admission price. Reservations not necessary. (707) 442-5139, hbgf@hbgf.org

PRUNING FRUIT TREES North Coast Community Garden Collaborative hosts a free workshop on pruning fruit trees Saturday, Feb. 25 from 10 to 11 a.m at Abuelita's Demonstration Garden, behing 539 T St. in Eureka. Deborah Giraud, UC-Cooperative Extension farm advisor, will teach pruning on young, mature and espaliered trees. Light snacks and free garden resources will be provided, including assistance with CalFresh. North Coast Community Garden Collaborative is a support network of and for community gardeners on California's north coast who work together to increase access to healthier lifestyle choices, particularly access to nutritious, locally-grown, and culturally appropriate foods. (707) 269-2071, northcoastgardens.org

**MARSH TOUR** Friends of the Arcata Marsh sponsors a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary Saturday, Feb. 25 at 2 p.m. Meet leader Jane Wilson at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on the history and ecology of the Marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. (707) 826-

**SLOW MARSH TOUR** Friends of the Arcata Marsh sponsors a free tour Tuesday, Feb. 28 at 2 p.m., for those who love the Marsh and want to enjoy seeing it at a slower pace than regular Saturday tours. The tour will last 90 minutes across even, level ground and is suitable to attendees of all ages who want to learn and like camaraderie. Meet leaders John DeMartini and Jane Wilson at the first parking lot on South I Street in from Samoa Boulevard. This tour is held the last Tuesday of each month, come rain, shine, or wind. (707)

RRAS BANQUET Redwood Region Audubon Society holds its annual banquet and silent auction Saturday, March 4 at 5:30 p.m. at the D Street Neighborhood Center, 1301 D St. in Arcata. In a presentation titled "Hummingbird Highways: Why Landscape Connections Matter to Pollination in the Tropics," Dr. Matthew Betts of Oregon State University will discuss how, as tropical forests become increasingly broken up by roads, farm fields, pastures and other developments, corridors of trees provide vital pathways for pollinators and contribute to a rich diversity of plant species. Meat and veggie options will be offered by Brett Schuler Catering. Tickets are priced at a sliding scale from \$35 and \$75; send check made out to RRAS to P.O. Box 1054, Eureka, CA 95502, or email redwoodpost@suddenlink.net with Banquet in the subject line or call (707) 442-8862. RSVP by March 2.



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